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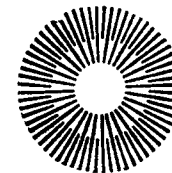
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Introduction

The present volume contains the translation of the 2d Part of Bu-ton's History of Buddhism, i. e. of the historical part proper. The latter begins with the Life of the Buddha and ends with an account of the work carried out by the Tibetan Lotsavas and Indian Paṇḍits of Bu-ton's own period and immediately before him (XII and XIII Cent.), viz. the translation of the Buddhist kanonical texts and exegetical treatises from the Sanskrit. We have here, just as in the 1st Part, numerous quotations from both *sūtra* and *çāstra*. Owing to this it becomes possible to get a clear aspect of the principal sources from which Bu-ton has compiled his History, and which have likewise later on served as a basis for the work of Tārānātha. —

Bu-ton's History of Buddhism proper is divided into the following principal parts: —

I. The Life of the Buddha Çākyamuni, the narrative of the so-called 12 Acts of the Buddha (*mdzad-pa bcu-gñis*), or rather of the 12 principal events in his life. The account of the first eleven, ending with the first "Swinging of the Wheel of the Doctrine" (*chos-kyi hkhor-lo bskor-ba* = *dharma-cakra-pravartana*) represents a summary of the *Lalita-vistara-sūtra* and contains numerous verses from it. Then, after a short indication of the Second and the Third Swings (i. e. of the Scripture of the intermediate and the later period), there follows the story of the Buddha's attainment of Nirvāṇa. It is taken from the *Vinaya-kṣudraka* (tib. *Ḥdul-ba-phran-tshegs*, Kangyur ḤDUL, XI), being a summary of the corresponding part of the latter.

II. The Rehearsals of the Buddhist Scripture. This part begins with the account of the first Rehearsal (Mahākāçyapa, Ānanda, Upāli), of the death of Kāçyapa and Ānanda, and of the second Rehearsal (Yaças, Kubjita, Revata, etc.). The only source here is likewise the *Vinaya-kṣudraka*, the corresponding text of which is rendered in an abridged form, all the verses being

quoted at full length. As concerns the 3d Rehearsal and the 18 Sects, the texts referred to on this subject are: —

1. The *Nikāya-bheda-upadarṣana-saṃgraha* of Vinītadeva (Tg. MDO. XC.).
2. The *Bhikṣu-varṣāgra-prcchā* of Padmākaraghoṣa (Ibid.).
3. The *Prabhāvatī* of Ākyaprabha. (Tg. MDO. LXXXIX.)
4. The *Tarkajālā* of Bhāvaviveka. (Tg. MDO. XIX.)

The latter work, though not directly mentioned, represents the principal source. Some passages of it are fully contained in Bu-ton's text. —

III. The different theories concerning the time of duration of the Buddhist Doctrine. Here we have quotations from the *Karuṇā-puṇḍarika*, from Vasubandhu's Commentary on the *Akṣayamati-nirdeṣa-sūtra* (Tg. MDO. XXXV.), the Commentary on the *Vajracchedikā* (Tg. MDO. XVI), the Commentary on the 3 *Prajñāpāramitā-Sūtras* (Tg. MDO. XIV), etc. We have likewise the chronological calculations of the Sa-skyā Paṇḍita and others concerning the time that has passed since the death of the Buddha.

IV. The "prophecies" concerning the persons that have furthered the spread of Buddhism. The most important are those contained in the *Lankāvatāra*, the *Mahā-karuṇā-puṇḍarika* (Kg. MDO. VI), and the *Mañjuṣrī-mūla-tantra*. (Kg. RGYUD. XI. Narthañ edition, or XII. Derge edition) A separate prophecy referring to the Tantric Ācāryas, that of the *Kālacakra-uttaratantra* (Kg. RGYUD. I) and the *Mahākāla-tantra-rāja* (Kg. RGYUD. V), is given at the end of this part. It is especially the *Mañjuṣrī-mūla-tantra* which is to be regarded as a source of the greatest importance, not only for the History of Buddhism, but for the historiography of India in general. The most interesting is that part of it which refers to the Indian kings, — Aśoka, Virasena, Nanda, Candragupta, etc. Noteworthy is the passage concerning Pāṇini who is spoken of as the friend of the king Nanda. — A detailed analysis of the historically important parts of all these texts will be published by me before long. —

V. The biographies of the celebrated Buddhist teachers, viz. Nāgārjuna, Āryadeva, Candragomin, Candrakīrti, Āryāśaṅga, Vasubandhu, Sthiramati, Dignāga, Dharmakīrti, Haribhadra, Āntideva, etc. Each of these is followed by a list of the works composed by the teacher in question. An indi-

cation of the volumes of the Tangyur (Sūtra and Tantra) in which the works are contained is always given in the notes.

VI. A short summary of the history of the grammatical literature, or rather of the legends referring to it, viz. the stories about Bṛhaspati, Pāṇini, Sarvavarman (*alias* Ārjavarman, Saptavarman, or Īṣvaravarman), etc. After that comes an enumeration of the kanonical texts (Sūtra and Tantra) which have been lost or have not been translated into Tibetan. —

VII. Prophecies of an apocalyptic character foretelling the disappearance of the Buddhist Doctrine. Among these, that of the *Candragarbha-pariprcchā* is quoted at full length with a very few abbreviations. This prophecy is treated in the Kangyur as a separate work (Kg. MDO. XXXII). In this place the text of the Lhasa block-print of Bu-ton's History contains a great number of mistakes in the proper names, which are sometimes quite illegible (e. g. Akandradha instead of Agnidatta!). A correct rendering of these names has been made possible with the help of the Derge (Sde-dge) edition of the Kangyur.

VIII. The History of Buddhism in Tibet. It begins with the genealogy of the early legendary Tibetan kings, commencing with Nā-ṭhi-tsen-po. Next come the legends about Tho-tho-ri-ñen-tsen and Sroñ-tsen-gam-po. These are followed by a more detailed account concerning the spread of Buddhism in Tibet during the reign of Ṭhi-sroñ-de-tsen, viz. the activity of Āntirakṣita (called the "Ācārya Bodhisattva"), the selection of the first 7 Tibetan monks [*Sad-mi mi bdun*], the dispute between the adherents of Kamalaṣila and of the Chinese Hva-ṣaṅ Mahāyāna (the Tsen-min and the Tön-mün), etc. Then we have a brief account of the reign of Ral-pa-can, of the persecution by Lañ-dar-ma, and of the restauration of the Church by the 10 monks of Ü and Tsañ, an indication of the monasteries and monastic sections founded by the said monks and their pupils and, finally, a narrative of the events that followed, viz. the arrival of Dipaṃkaraṣṛijñāna (Atiṣa) in Tibet and the subsequent propagation of Buddhism. In particular we have an enumeration of the texts translated by some of the Lotsavas from the Sanskrit. It may be noted that, with very few exceptions, the texts mentioned belong to the Tantric parts of the Kangyur and Tangyur. Here ends the history proper. It is followed by a list containing the names of all the Paṇḍits and Lotsavas who have acted in Tibet, beginning with Āntirakṣita

and Padmasaṃbhava. With it ends the 3^d Chapter (*lehu*) of Bu-ton's text: "The History of the Doctrine in Tibet".

The last part is a systematical Index of all the Buddhist literature which has been translated from the Sanskrit by the Lotsavas and Paṇḍits. It is divided into 1. Sūtra Scripture (including the Vinaya, Prajñāpāramitā, Avataṃsaka, Ratnakūṭa, and Sūtra sections of the Kangyur), 2. Sūtra Exegesis, 3. Tantra Scripture, and 4. Tantra Exegesis. This Index, as well as the list of the Lotsavas and Paṇḍits, arranged in the alphabetical order, will form a separate 3^d part which is to contain numerous other Indices and Appendices besides.

The part now published, similar to the first, includes a great number of smaller chapters and subdivisions. The system according to which these have been designated, is the same as in the first part, and is directly connected with the latter. A full table of the contents is given at the end. —

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The Life of the Buddha

(Description of the 12 acts of the Buddha)¹⁾.

1 and 2. [The Existence of the Bodhisattva in the Form of Çvetaketu and his Descent from the Abode of Tuṣita.]

Twelve years before the Bodhisattva was to enter (his mother's) womb, the sons of the gods belonging to the Pu reRegion²⁾, having miraculously assumed the form of Brāhmaṇas, proclaimed aloud that if (the Bodhisattva) would be conceived in the womb, — in the way that is to be described below, — he would become a universal monarch³⁾ or a Buddha, endowed with the characteristic features and marks (of the super-man)⁴⁾. And (other similar gods) addressed the Pratyekabuddhas (in Jambudvīpa) as follows: — In 12 years the Bodhisattva will become conceived in the womb; therefore you must abandon this land (since there is nothing more for you to do here)⁵⁾. — This was heard by the Pratyekabuddha Mātanga⁶⁾ who was abiding on the hill Golāṅgulaparivartana⁷⁾, near Rājagṛha, and he passed away into Nirvāṇa, having left his footprints on a stone. At Vārāṇasī, 500 Pratyekabuddhas gave themselves up to the element of fire⁸⁾. And, after (they were consumed and) had passed away, their ashes fell (on the earth). Thencefrom that place received the name of Rṣipātana, — "the place where the Sages fell".

¹⁾ The following narrative of the 12 acts of the Buddha is a summary of the contents of the Lalita-vistara-sūtra (tib. Rgya-cher-rol-paḥi-mdo).

²⁾ Tib. *gnas-gtsaṅ-maḥi lhaḥi-bu-rnams = çuddha-āvāsa-kāyikā devaputrāḥ*.

³⁾ *hkhor-los-bsgyur-rgyal = cakravartī-rāja*.

⁴⁾ *skyes-bu-chen-poḥi mtshan = mahā-puruṣa-lakṣaṇa* and *dpe-byad = anuvyañjana*.

⁵⁾ Lalita-vistara 18. 12 — *riñcata mārṣā buddha-kṣetram. ito dvādaçavatsare bodhisattvo mātuh kukṣim avakramiṣyati*.

⁶⁾ Glāṇ-po.

⁷⁾ Mjug-ma-bsgyur-baḥi ri. Lal.-vist. 18. 14 sqq.

⁸⁾ *meḥi khams-la žugs = tejo-dhātum samāpadya*. Lal.-vist. 18. 20 sqq.

Now (the Bodhisattva residing in the abode of Tuṣita) [62 a.], having reflected over the meaning of the words of exhortation (which he had heard from the sounds of celestial music), became engaged in 4 kinds of contemplation,⁹⁾ viz. that his future life was to dure a 100 years (1), that Jambudvīpa was to be the continent (in which he would appear) (2), that Central India¹⁰⁾ was to be the country (where he would be born) (3), and that his caste was to be the royal one¹¹⁾ (4). Otherwise, in accordance with Scripture, he contemplated 5 points: — his caste, descent, native country, duration of life, and the woman (that would be his spouse). Having contemplated the world (of his future existence) in these 4 or 5 aspects, he commenced his descent into the human world. He said to the gods (of Tuṣita)¹²⁾: — O friends, there are 108 media for the perception of the Truth, which the Bodhisattva, departing for a future existence, has to demonstrate. O friends, faith¹³⁾ is a means for the perception of the Truth. It is necessary, in order that the thoughts might never become diverted from the Truth¹⁴⁾. The serenity (of the mind) is a means for the perception of the Truth, since (in order to obtain such a perception), the mind that was agitated and turbid must become pure and serene¹⁵⁾. — (So he continued) up to: — The position of one who is consecrated for Buddhahood) is a medium for the perception of the Truth. This state dures from the time of (the Bodhisattva's) entering the womb¹⁶⁾ and up to that of his making manifest the great Nirvāṇa. —

When, from the high region of Tuṣita,
The Leader, the Lion of Men made his departure,
He spoke to the gods the following words: —
O friends, cease to lead a careless life¹⁷⁾!

⁹⁾ Lal.-vist. 19. 6 sqq. — *catvāri mahāvīlokītāni vilokayati sma.*

¹⁰⁾ *yul-dbus = madhya-deça.*

¹¹⁾ Or that of the Kṣatriyas. — tib. *rgyal-rigs.*

¹²⁾ Lal.-vist. 31. 10 sqq. — *aṣṭottaram idaṁ mārṣā dharmāloka-mukham-çatam.* ¹³⁾ *dad-pa = çraddhā.*

¹⁴⁾ Lal.-vist. 31. 12—13 — *çraddhā mārṣā dharmāloka-mukham abhedya-āçayātāyai saṁvartate.*

¹⁵⁾ Ibid. — *prasādo dharmāloka-mukham avila-citta-prasādanātāyai saṁvartate.* ¹⁶⁾ *mñal-du-hjug-pa = garbha-avakrānti.*

¹⁷⁾ Lal.-vist. 36. 14—15. —

Tuṣita-vara-bhavana-nīlayād yadā cyavati nāyakaḥ puruṣa-simhaḥ / āmantrayate devān pramādam akhilaṁ visarjayata //

Having delivered these and similar sermons, he placed the diadem of precious jewels on the head of Maitreya¹⁸⁾ and said: — O friends, I am now departing for Jambudvīpa in order to become a Buddha. Henceforth Maitreya shall expound the Doctrine to you¹⁹⁾. As he uttered these words, the gods became full of grief and spoke: —

O Highest of beings, if thou shalt not reside here,
This abode of Tuṣita will lose all its splendour^{18a)}.

And: O Bodhisattva, now (the living beings in) that continent of Jambudvīpa are deceived by the 18 (heretical) teachers who are: Pūraṇa Kāçyapa²⁰⁾, Maskarī Goçaliputra²¹⁾, Sañjayī Vairatiputra²²⁾, Ajita Keçakambala²³⁾, Kakuda Kātyāyana²⁴⁾, and Nir-grantha Jñātiputra^{24a)}, — the 6 dialecticians [62 b.], by the Brāhmaṇa²⁵⁾†, the Brāhmaṇa²⁶⁾†, the Brāhmaṇa Bhadraka²⁷⁾, the Brāhmaṇa Brahmāyuh²⁸⁾, the Brāhmaṇa Padmagarbha²⁹⁾, and the Brāhmaṇa Lohita³⁰⁾, — the 6 reciters (of Brāhmaṇical Scripture), and by Udraka Rāmaputra³¹⁾, Ārāḍa-Kālāma³²⁾, the Parivrājaka Subhadra³³⁾, the Brāhmaṇa's son Sañjayaka³⁴⁾, the anchorite Araṇa³⁵⁾, and Kāçyapa with the tresses³⁶⁾, — the 6 meditators. — It is therefore not the time for thee to go there. Thus they entreated him, but he replied: —

The sound of the conch-shell cannot be confounded with
other sounds,

The light of the sun cannot be matched by any other kind
of light.

¹⁸⁾ Ma-pham-pa = Ajita.

¹⁹⁾ Lal.-vist. 39. 1—2. — *ayaṁ Maitreya bodhisattvo yuṣmākaṁ dharmāṁ deçayisyati.*

^{18a)} Ibid. 38. 20. *idaṁ khalu satpuruṣa Tuṣita-bhavanāṁ twayā vihīnaṁ na bhṛjisyate.*

²⁰⁾ Hod-sruṁs-rdzogs-byed.

²¹⁾ Kun-tu-rgyu Gnag-lhas-kyi-bu.

²²⁾ Smra-hdod-kyi bu-moḥi bu Yañ-dag-rgyal-ba-can.

²³⁾ Mi-pham skraḥi-lva-ba-can.

²⁴⁾ Kā-tyaḥi-bu Nog-can.

^{24a)} Gcer-bu-pa Gñen-gyi-bu.

²⁵⁾ Rgyus (?rgyas)-rgyal = Puṣkara (?).

²⁶⁾ Rnas-brdeg (?Rna-dregs = Kaṇḍarpana).

²⁷⁾ Bzañ-ldan.

²⁸⁾ Tshañs-paḥi.-tshe ²⁹⁾ Padmaḥi-sñiñ-po.

³⁰⁾ Dmar-po.

³¹⁾ Rañs-byed-kyi-bu Lhag-spyod.

³²⁾ Sgyu-rtal-çes-kyi-bu Riñ-ḥphur.

³³⁾ Kun-tu-rgyu Rab-bzañ. Cf. below.

³⁴⁾ Bram-zeḥi-khyeḥu Kun-rgyal.

³⁵⁾ Drañ-sroñ Ñon-moñs-med. ³⁶⁾ Lhar-rgyas Hod-sruṁs-ral-pa-can.

Similarly (my Doctrine) cannot be confounded with the teachings (of all these heretics).

And I alone have the power of vanquishing them.

One single lion terrifies many multitudes of beasts,

A single thunderbolt can shatter the summits of many rocks,

Indra, though single, defeats the numerous chiefs of the Asuras,

And the sun alone disperses the dense mass of darkness.

Thereafter he asked the gods: — In what form am I to go? Some (of the gods) replied that he should assume the form of Brahma, others said that it would be suitable for him to descend in the shape of Indra or some other (god). But the Devaputra Agratejas declared, that, according to the Vedas, it would be the most suitable (for the Bodhisattva) to descend in the form of an elephant. Thereupon the Bodhisattva departed. —

3. [The Entrance into the Womb.]

In the palace of the king Çuddhodana³⁷) there appeared 18 miraculous signs (foretelling his birth). Thereafter, when winter had passed away, in the first month of spring, when the full moon was in the 16th lunar constellation³⁸), and when the stars foretold good luck, at the time when the queen-mother was observing the Poṣadha³⁹) fast, [63 a.] he entered her womb through her right side in the form of an elephant. (And she had a dream of which she spoke as follows): —

I felt that, covered with a golden net, with a red crest on the head,

With 6 tusks of exceeding whiteness,

Resembling in colour a conch-shell, snow, or silver,

An elephant entered my womb. —

And, (after the elephant had entered), my body and mind

Became possessed of the most delightful state of ease

Which had never been experienced, heard of or felt before;

As if I were absorbed in concentrated trance⁴⁰).

³⁷) Zas-gtsaṅ.

³⁸) Lal.-vist. 54. 18. — *çiṣira-kāla-vinirgate vaiçākha-māse viçākha-nakṣatra-anugate.*

³⁹) Gso-sbyon.

⁴⁰) Lal.-vist. 55. 7—10. — *hima-rajata-nibhaç ca śaḍ-viṣāṇaḥ sucaraṇa cārubhujāḥ surakta-çirṣaḥ / udaram upagato gaja-pradhāno lālita-gatir dṛḍha-*

(The queen) asked the Brāhmaṇas the meaning of this dream, and they foretold that a son endowed with exclusive properties was to be born who, if he remained residing in the royal palace, would become a universal monarch, and, if he were to lead a monastic life, would attain the state of a Buddha⁴¹). Thereafter, having blessed the womb as the precious dwelling enjoyed by the Bodhisattva⁴²), the latter enjoyed therein for 10 months the purest felicity and, (during that time), converted 3.600.000.000 living beings, gods and men. At that time the flowers opened their leaves and expanded, and other miraculous signs, 32 in number, were to be seen.⁴³)

4. [The Birth of the Bodhisattva.]

And once, when the mother was abiding in the Lumbinī garden, she seized with her hand the stem of a fig-tree, and (at that moment) the Bodhisattva came out of her right side without causing pain to her and clothed⁴⁴). The gods strewed flowers (before him), Brahma and Indra deposited him on a sheet of Benares linen, and Nanda⁴⁵) and Upananda⁴⁶) offered to wash his body⁴⁷). (The Bodhisattva said): — Behold me, o Kauçika!⁴⁸) And, turning to the east: — I shall be antecedent to all that is virtuous!⁴⁹) — To the south: — I shall be worthy to receive gifts from gods and men!⁵⁰) — To the west: — I shall become the highest and the most pre-eminent in this world. [63 b.] This is my last birth. I shall now put an end to (the sufferings of) birth, old age, and death⁵¹). Turning to the north (he exclaimed): — I shall become the highest amongst all living beings!⁵²) — Looking downward: — I shall

vajra-gātra-saṁdhiḥ / na ca mama sukha jātu evaṁrūpaṁ dṛṣṭam api çrutam nā'pi cā'nubhūtam / kāya-sukha-citta-saukhyā-bhāvā yathariva (sic) dhyāna-samāhitā abhūvan //

⁴¹) Lal.-vist. 57. 9—22.

⁴²) *ratna-vyūho bodhisattva-paribhogaḥ.*

⁴³) Lal.-vist. 73. 11—12. — *daça-māsa-kukṣi-gatena bodhisattvena ṣaṭ-trimṣan-nayutāni deva-manuṣyāṇāṁ paripācītāny abhūvan;* and *ibid.* 76. 9. sqq. — *rājñāḥ Çuddhodanasya gṛhodyāne dvātrimṣat pūrva-nimittāni prādurabhūvan.*

⁴⁴) *Ibid.* 82. 14—83. 11.

⁴⁵) Dgaḥ-bo.

⁴⁶) Ñer-dgaḥ.

⁴⁷) Lal.-vist. 83. 21—22.

⁴⁸) I. e. Indra.

⁴⁹) Lal.-vist. 84. 16—17. — *pūrvamāgamo bhaviṣyāmi sarveṣāṁ kuçāla-mūlānāṁ dharmāṇāṁ.*

⁵⁰) *Ibid.* 84. 20—21. — *dakṣiṇīyo bhaviṣyāmi deva-manuṣyāṇāṁ.*

⁵¹) *Ibid.* 85. 1—2. — *iyam me paścimā jātiḥ / kariṣyāmi jāti-jarā-maraṇa-duḥkhasya antam.*

⁵²) *Ibid.* 85. 2—3. — *anuttaro bhaviṣyāmi sarva-sattvānāṁ.*

vanquish the Evil One and his hosts and shall grant bliss to the denizens of Hell by letting the rain that appeases the hellish fire descend from the great clouds of the Doctrine!⁵³⁾ And looking upward: — I shall be looked up to by all the living beings! —⁵⁴⁾ Thus spoke he and made 7 steps in each direction. And under his feet there sprung forth lotuses.

At that time all the different countries were full of lucky omens that were to be perceived everywhere. In the 4 great realms four tributary sovereigns and, likewise, 500 men belonging to families of high rank, 800 noble women, Yaçovati⁵⁵⁾ and the rest, 500 servants, Chandaka⁵⁶⁾ etc., 10 000 male foals, Kaṇṭhaka⁵⁷⁾ etc., 10 000 female foals, and 10 000 oxen were born. In the midst of an island there grew a Bodhi tree, 500 gardens sprung forth and 500 treasures miraculously appeared. Owing to all these circumstances, the prince received the name of Sarvārthasiddha, — he who conveys the accomplishment of all the desired aims and objects⁵⁸⁾.

After that (the Bodhisattva) went to the temple to worship the tutelary deity, and there he subdued and pacified the Çākyas that were using rough obusive language. Henceforth he received the surname of Çākyamuni, — the mighty one amongst the Çākyas. Then, as he received the homage of Çākyavardhana, (?)⁵⁹⁾ or as he was worshipped by the gods, he came to be called Devā-tideva, — “the god of gods” or “he who is higher than the gods”.

7 days after, his mother died and was reborn in the region of the 33 gods. Her death was not caused by (the birth of) the Bodhisattva, but as she saw that her son was to depart (from home in order to lead a monastic life), the mother's heart broke (from grief) and her life thus ended⁶⁰⁾.

In another Sūtra (we have the following account): — Agni-dattaputra⁶¹⁾, the grandson of the sage Araṇa⁶²⁾, abiding on the mountain Ādhāra (?)⁶³⁾, came to know about (the birth of the Bodhisattva). (Having beheld a vision) he asked: — O, teacher,

⁵³⁾ Ibid. 85. 4—5. *nihaniṣyāmi māraṁ ca māra-senāṁ ca / sarva-nai-rayikāṇāṁ ca niraya-agni-pratighātāya mahā-dharma-megha-vṛṣṭiṁ varṣiṣyāmi*

⁵⁴⁾ Ibid. 85. 7. — *ullokaniyo bhaviṣyāmi sarva-sattvānāṁ /*

⁵⁵⁾ Grags-Idan-ma. ⁵⁶⁾ Hdun-pa. ⁵⁷⁾ Sdags-Idan.

⁵⁸⁾ Don-thams-cad-grub-pa.

⁵⁹⁾ Ça-kya-ḥphel. ⁶⁰⁾ Lal.-vist. 98. 3—9.

⁶¹⁾ Mes-sbyin-gyi-bu. ⁶²⁾ Non-moṅs-med. ⁶³⁾ Kun-ḥdzin.

what does this mean, that the sun simultaneously appears in all the different regions. — Indeed, the mountain [64 a.] with all its caverns is illuminated by one stream of light. — The teacher replied: — The rays of the sun are sharp and piercing, but the rays of the light, that issues from the one child (that has been born), produce a (pleasant) cool feeling if they reach the body. (Such is this light) and it certainly comes from the Bodhisattva. Thereafter Araṇa went to Kapilavastu⁶⁴⁾ and said (to the king Cuddhodana): —

O great king, we who are here

Wish to behold your son.

We are desirous to see him, the Lord,

Who is the Highest and the Leader of the World.

And, as (the Bodhisattva), though sleeping, beheld him, the teacher said: —

Horses that belong to a good breed

Sleep only a quarter of the night.

In a like way, sleep does not long abide

On the eyelids of those who are desirous of fulfilling a great aim.

And: — How is it that the soothsayers have foretold (that the prince is to become) a universal monarch? —

O sovereign, the minds of the learned are mistaken;

In the age of strife⁶⁵⁾ no universal monarch appears.

But he, the treasury of the highest virtuous elements,

Is to become a Buddha, free from all that is sinful.

The young prince was thereafter entrusted to the care of Mahā-prajāpati⁶⁶⁾ Gautamī, and 32 nurses were appointed to him, — 8 who nursed him in their lap⁶⁷⁾, 8 who fed him with their breast⁶⁸⁾, 8 who played with him,⁶⁹⁾ and 8 who wiped off the impurities from his body⁷⁰⁾. Thus cherished, he grew up.

All these miraculous events came to be known by the sage

⁶⁴⁾ Ser-skva.

⁶⁵⁾ *rtsod-paḥi dus = kaliyuga.*

⁶⁶⁾ Skye-dguḥi-bdag-mo.

⁶⁷⁾ *pañ-na ḥtsho-baḥi ma-ma = anga-dhātī.*

⁶⁸⁾ *nu-ma-bsnun-pa = kṣīra-dhātī.*

⁶⁹⁾ *rtsen-paḥi ma-ma = kṛdā-dhātī.*

⁷⁰⁾ *dri-ma-ḥphyi-ba = mala-dhātī.* Lal.-vist. 110. 13—19.

Asita⁷¹⁾ — endowed with the 5 supernatural faculties⁷²⁾ who was abiding on the Himālaya. (This sage), with his nephew Nara-datta⁷³⁾, miraculously (descended from his abode) and came to the city of Kapilavastu⁷⁴⁾. Having beheld the characteristic marks (of the youth), he understood of what kind they were. And, astonishment and grief having arisen in him, he bowed to the Bodhisattva's feet, circumambulated him, and, shedding tears, uttered his prophecy: —

I perceive the characteristic features of this youth who has been born. [64 b.]

He is adorned by the 32 marks (of the super-man),
Therefore there are only two things possible and no other: —
If he remains at home, he will become a universal monarch,
And if he departs from home and becomes a homeless ascetic,
He will attain Enlightenment here in this world
And become a leader who is independent from others.
(But I know that) he is not to abide at home,
For his private parts that are concealed⁷⁵⁾ and the crown
of his head

Cannot be seen by all⁷⁶⁾. —

But (asked the king), why doest thou weep? —
(The sage replied) —⁷⁷⁾:

O sovereign, having met with this Highest of Beings, the treasury of virtue,

I shall die without attaining my aim.

I have not come to quiescence and perceive all that is sinful in me;

Therefore my mind is greatly suffering, and I weep. —

Having said this, he departed to his abode.

When the Bodhisattva had grown older, he, with 10 000 other

⁷¹⁾ Nag-po. ⁷²⁾ *mñon-ces* = *abhijñā*.

⁷³⁾ Sic. acc. to Lal.-vist., but tib. Mes-byin = Agnidatta.

⁷⁴⁾ Lal.-vist. 101. 1—5.

⁷⁵⁾ *ḥdoms-kyi sba-ba spubs-su-nub-pa* = *koṣa-gata-vasti-guhyā*.

⁷⁶⁾ Sic. acc. to tib. — *gsaṅ-baḥi-gnas-mchog spubs-su-nub-pa dañ spyi-gtsug ḥgro-ba kun-gyis mi-mthoñ-bas*. But Lal.-vist. 105. 9. sqq. and 106. 8. sqq. — *nārhati Sarvārthasiddhaḥ kumāro' gāram adhyāvasitum. tat kasya hetoḥ? sa hi mahārāja Sarvārthasiddhaḥ kumāro dvātriṃcatā mahā-puruṣa-lakṣaṇaiḥ samanvāgataḥ*.

⁷⁷⁾ Lal.-vist. 104. 3—105. 5.

youths of the Çākya clan entered the school of the teacher Viç-vāmitra⁷⁸⁾ who taught the art of writing. (The Bodhisattva) asked: — O teacher, which of the 64 kinds of writing, Brāhmī⁷⁹⁾ and the rest, must I study?⁸⁰⁾ The teacher was greatly astonished and said⁸¹⁾ —:

Most wonderful is this purest of living beings:

He is proficient in all the different sciences, but still

Adapting himself to the worldly usage,

He has come to my school of writing.

Of these different kinds of writing

Of which I do not know even the name,

All are known to him. But nevertheless

He has entered my school of writing. —

Once the youth descended into the garden, and there in the shade of a Jambu tree, he became absorbed in mystic meditation⁸²⁾, beginning with the first degree and ending with the fourth⁸³⁾. Owing to the (power of this his meditative trance), 5 heretical sages, endowed with miraculous powers became incapable of moving in the skies. Full of awe they worshipped the Bodhisattva and circumambulated him⁸⁴⁾. At that time the shadows of the other trees were constantly changing their direction, but that (of the Jambu tree under which the Bodhisattva was sitting) remained immovable [65 a.] (Upon seeing this) his father was greatly astonished and worshipped him, saying⁸⁵⁾: —

O Lord, at the time when thou wert born,

And now, when thou, O Glorious, art practising meditation,

These two times, O Leader and Protector,

My salutation was and is due to thee. —

⁷⁸⁾ Kun-gyi-bçes-gñen. ⁷⁹⁾ *tshaṅs-paḥi yi-ge*.

⁸⁰⁾ Lal.-vist. 125. 18—20. sqq. — *katamāṃ me bho upādhyāya lipiṃ cikṣā-payasi: brāhmī-kharoṣṭi-puṣkarasūrim* etc.

⁸¹⁾ Ibid. 126. 15—18. — *ācāryaṃ cūddhasattvasya loke lokānuvartino / cikṣitaḥ sarva-çāstreṣu lipi-çālām upāgataḥ // yeṣāṃ ahaṃ nāmadheyaṃ lipinām na prajānamī* (sic!) / *tatrai'ṣa çīṣitasanto lipi-çālām upāgataḥ //*

⁸²⁾ *bsam-gtan* = *dhyāna*.

⁸³⁾ Lal.-vist. 128. 15—129. 11.

⁸⁴⁾ Ibid. 129. 12—14 sqq.

⁸⁵⁾ Ibid. 132. 16—17. —

yadā cā' si mune jato yadā dhyāyasi cā'rciman / eka-dvir api te nātha pādaḥ vande vināyaka. //

5. [The Acts of Dexterity performed by the Bodhisattva.]

Thereafter, the eldersmen of the Çākyas said to the king: — O Sovereign, the sooth-sayers have foretold that the youth, if he is to remain in the palace, will become a universal monarch. As this is so, he must take a worthy princess for his wife. — To this the king replied: — You must look where you find a maiden worthy of the youth⁸⁶). — Then each of the 500 Çākya eldersmen said that his daughter was the worthiest. The king then told them to ask the youth himself. The latter, having been questioned, said, that in 7 days he would give an answer⁸⁷). And such were the thoughts that came to him:⁸⁸) —

I know that the evil caused by desire has no end,
That it is the source of strife, enmity, grief, and suffering,
Is like a poisonous plant that causes fear,
Like fire or like the edge of a sword.

I have no desire of the objects of sensual pleasure,
And it is not suitable for me to abide in a circle of women;
With a mind, pacified through the bliss of mystic meditation and concentrated trance,

I shall do better to abide silently in the forest. —

But, as he again reflected over the matter, (he changed his intention) owing to his Wisdom and Commiseration. — And such were the words he uttered⁸⁹) —:

The lotus-flowers grow amidst an impure mire,
A king receives homage amongst ordinary people.
At the time when the Bodhisattvas become possessed

⁸⁶) Lal.-vist. 137. 5—6.

⁸⁷) Ibid. 137. 10—12.

⁸⁸) Ibid. 137. 13—17. —

*vidita mama ananta-kāma-doṣāḥ saraṇa-savaira-saṅga-duḥkha-mūlāḥ /
bhayakara-viśapatra-saṁnikūṣāḥ jvalana-nibhā asidhāra-tulyarūpāḥ /
kāma-guṇi (sic) na me'sti chanda-rāgo na ca ahu cobhami istrigāra-madhye /
yannu ahu vane vaseya tuṣṇīm dhyāna-samādhi-sukhena cānta-cittāḥ //*

⁸⁹) Ibid. 137. 21—138. 6. —

*saṁkirṇi paṅki padumāni vivṛddhimanti /
ākīrṇa rāja nara-madhyi labhāti pūjām /
yada Bodhisattva parivāra-balaṁ labhante /
tada sattva-koṭi-nayutāny amṛte vinenti //
ye cā'pi pūrvaka abhūd vidu-Bodhisattvāḥ /
sarvebhi bhārya-suta darṣita istri-gārāḥ /
na ca rāga-rakta na ca dhyāna-sukhebbhi bhraṣṭāḥ /
hantā'nuṣiṅgāya ahaṁ pi guṇeṣu teṣūṁ /*

Of the highest congregation (of followers)⁹⁰),
They lead millions of living beings to the state of immortality.

The wise Bodhisattvas who have appeared before (me)
Have all of them manifested themselves
As having wives, children, and followers.
Now, they were not possessed of desire,
And have not been deprived
Of the bliss of concentrated trance. [65 b.]

I must likewise become possessed of these their virtues⁹¹).

Having thought so, he wrote down all the virtuous qualities of a woman and said: — Such (a wife) do I wish for myself. Then the king said to his chief household priest⁹²): — Go thou and get a maiden with whom all these virtuous qualities are to be found. —

She may be of the royal race, or the daughter of a Brāhmaṇa,

She may be of the Vaiçya⁹³) or of the Çūdra⁹⁴) caste;
This is quite the same. Bring us only such a maiden
With whom all these virtues do exist.

My son is not to be surprised by high birth and descent;
Virtue, truthfulness and righteousness, —

In these alone his mind finds pleasure⁹⁵).

Thereafter, that Brāhmaṇa went through all the different countries and came to see Gopā⁹⁶) the daughter of the Çākya Daṇḍapāṇi⁹⁷). He gave to her the letter (of the prince) and she said with a smile: — O Brāhmaṇa, I am possessed of all these qualities. Therefore, the prince of noble appearance can become my husband. Tell the youth that, if he wishes (to wed me), he must not delay. He ought not to live with an ordinary being of low degree⁹⁸). —

⁹⁰) Tib. *ḥkhor-mchog* = *parivāra-varaṁ*; the Lal.-vist. has *parivāra-balaṁ*.

⁹¹) I. e. of the preceding Bodhisattvas.

⁹²) *mdun-na-ḥdon* = *purohita*.

⁹³) *rjeḥu-rigs*.

⁹⁴) *dmaṁs-rigs*.

⁹⁵) Lal.-vist. 140. 2—5. —

*brāhmaṇiṁ kṣatriyāṁ kanyāṁ vaiçyāṁ çūdrīṁ tathaiva ca /
yasyā ete guṇā santi tāṁ me kanyāṁ pravedaya //
na kulena na gotreṇa kumāro mama vismitaḥ /
guṇe satye ca dharme ca tatrā'sya ramate manaḥ //*

⁹⁶) Sa-htsho-ma.

⁹⁷) Lag-na-be-con-can.

⁹⁸) Lal.-vist. 140. 21—141. 4. —

All this the chief priest repeated to the king. The latter said: — These women are great in telling lies; they are therefore not to be relied upon. Let, after 7 days, all the maidens assemble in the hall, and the youth shall give them presents that are agreeable to them. (That maiden) on whom the youth shall fix his eyes, is to become his wife⁹⁹).

After 7 days had passed away, the youth descended into the hall and offered diverse precious ornaments to the maidens that came, but they could not support the lustre of the Bodhisattva's beauty and speedily departed. Last of all came Gopā, and, as the ornaments had been, all of them, given away, she said with a smile: — What fault have I committed, that thou despisest me? — I do not despise thee, — said the youth, but thou hast come too late¹⁰⁰ [66 a.]. Thus spoke he and presented her a ring worth many hundreds and thousands. She then departed, and those that had witnessed (all this in secret),¹⁰¹ said to the king: — The youth has fixed his eyes on Gopā and they have conversed with each other for a short time¹⁰². — The king then sent a messenger to the Çākya Daṇḍapāṇi, praying him to give his daughter in marriage to the prince. But Daṇḍapāṇi said: — The youth has grown up amidst the pleasures of palace-life and is not skilled in arts and sports. According to the usage of my family, I may give my daughter only to one who knows the different arts. How can I give her in marriage to one who is not skilled in them?¹⁰³ This was repeated to the king who, having been thus twice offended, sat and pondered deeply. The youth heard about this and said to the king: — What has happened? — Is it not proper that thou shouldst tell me? — And the king told him all. The youth then proposed that a match in all the different arts and sports should be fought. The king was delighted and ordered to announce, by the sound of bells, that such a match was to take place. And, after 7 days, 500 youths of the Çākya tribe assembled in order to join in the match, and Gopā was declared to be the prize of him who would win¹⁰⁴.) It was proclaimed that she was to belong

⁹⁹) Ibid. 141. 11—12. — *tatra yasyām dārikāyām kumārasya cakṣur abhini-vekṣyati kumārasya vārayiṣyāmi iti* /

¹⁰⁰) Lal.-vist. 142. 14, 15. — *nā'haṁ tvām vimānayāmi api tu khalu punas tvam atipaṣcād āgatū* /

¹⁰¹) *bya-ra-ba* = *guhya-puruṣa*. ¹⁰²) Lal.-vist. 142. 20—22.

¹⁰³) Ibid. 143. 4—7. ¹⁰⁴) Ibid. 144. 6—9.

to him who would be victorious in swordsmanship, in shooting and wrestling. And first of all came Devadatta¹⁰⁵); he encountered an elephant that was led (into the city for the Bodhisattva), and, full of envy and pride, struck it with the palm of his hand and killed it. Thereafter, the youth Sundarananda¹⁰⁶) came and (seeing the body of the elephant), flung it out of the gates of the city. But last of all came the Bodhisattva, uplifted the elephant's body with his great toe and hurled it a mile far beyond 7 walls and 7 trenches. And at the place, where the elephant's body fell, a great pit was dug up (and up to this day) it is called "the elephant's pit"¹⁰⁷).

Thereafter the teacher Viçvāmītra having been appointed as a judge, [66. b.] a match in the skill of writing took place, and the Bodhisattva was victorious in the contest. After that there was a match in the skill of counting in which the teacher Arjuna¹⁰⁸) of the Çākya clan was the judge. Here the Bodhisattva likewise gained the prize, having vanquished all the others. Arjuna himself did not know the numbers higher than that which is called *ak-ṣobhya*¹⁰⁹), whereas the Bodhisattva knew them all up to that which bears the name of *agrasāra*¹¹⁰). Then the Bodhisattva proved superior (to the rest) in leaping, swimming, and in the foot-race. Thereupon Nanda and Ānanda both came to match their strength (with that of the Bodhisattva), but (the latter) only touched them with his hand and they instantly fell down. Next came Devadatta, and the Bodhisattva seized him with his right hand, turned him round in the air and then threw him on the ground, without however doing harm to his body. Then all the Çākya youths rushed upon him, but the Bodhisattva only touched them with his hand and they all fell down.

The contest in shooting next took place. The target, an iron drum, was hit by Ānanda at the distance of 4 miles,¹¹¹) by Devadatta — within the reach of 8 miles, by Sundarananda, — from beyond 12 miles, and by Daṇḍapāṇi — at the distance of 2 yo-

¹⁰⁵) Lhas-byin. ¹⁰⁶) Mdzes-dgaḥ-bo.

¹⁰⁷) Ibid. 145. 4—7. *yat sāmpratam hasti-gartū ity abhidhīyate* /

¹⁰⁸) Srid-sgrub.

¹⁰⁹) *mi-ḥkhrugs-pa*. Cf. Vol. I. Note 1118.

¹¹⁰) *sñiṅ-po-mchog*. Lal.-vist. 146. 9—149. 2.

¹¹¹) Ibid. 154. 6. sqq.; *rgyaṅ-grags* = *kroṣa*.

janas.¹¹²) So far each of them could shoot, but not at a greater distance. But the Bodhisattva planted the iron drum at the distance of 20 miles, behind it 7 Tala trees and, beyond them, — the figure of a wild boar made of iron. He then brought from the temple the bow of his grandfather Sindhahanu¹¹³) and bent it, drawing in one leg and stretching out the other. Off sped the arrow, piercing the iron drum, the 7 Tala stems and the iron figure of the wild boar. And, having hit the ground, it disappeared. At that place there appeared (a pit) resembling a well which is known thencefrom as “the well of the arrow”¹¹⁴). (Thereafter) the Bodhisattva likewise showed his superiority in all the other arts, as palmistry¹¹⁵), riding an elephant, and so on up to the preparation of incense-sticks. [67. a.] And Daṇḍapāṇi gave his daughter in marriage to him¹¹⁶).

6. [The Life of the Bodhisattva in the circle of noble women.]

The Bodhisattva, in order to act in accordance with the worldly custom, caused Gopā to be crowned (as the chief princess) amongst 84 000 noble women. And in their company he led a life full of bliss and enjoyment.

Thereafter, some of the gods, Nāgas etc.¹¹⁷) beheld him and thought as follows: — If this highest of men will abide amidst the circle of noble women for a long time, the living beings who are to be the receptacles of his Doctrine, will be no more existing and he will not depart (from home to lead a religious life)¹¹⁸). And, full of reverence, they thought: — He must depart from home, become a Buddha and expound his Doctrine. — And the Buddhas, the Lords (abiding in the regions situated in the 10 quarters of the sky)¹¹⁹) summoned him by the following verse that issued from the sounds of celestial music¹²⁰):

¹¹²) *dpag-tshad*. ¹¹³) *Señ-gehi-za-hgram*.

¹¹⁴) Lal.-vist. 155. 19, 20. — *yatra ca pradeṣe sa iṣur bhūmi-talaṃ bhittvā praviṣṭas tasmin pradeṣe kūpaḥ saṃvṛtataḥ / yad adyatve' pi śara-kūpa ity abhi-dhīyate /* ¹¹⁵) *lag-rtsis*. ¹¹⁶) Lal.-vist. 157. 3—5.

¹¹⁷) Ibid. 160. 3, 4. sqq. *deva-nāga-yakṣa-asura-garūḍa-kimnara-mahoraga-ḥakra-Brahma-lokapālānām*.

¹¹⁸) Sic. acc. to tib., but Lal.-vist. 160. 8—9. *tāni dharma-bhājanāni sar-vāṇy antarhitāni bhaviṣyanti / bodhisattvaḥ ca paṇḍā abhiniṣkramya anuttarāṃ samyakṣambodhim abhisambhotsyate //*

¹¹⁹) Lal.-vist. 161. 12, 13. sqq. — *daṣa-dig-loka-dhātu-sthitair buddhair bha-gavadbhiḥ*. ¹²⁰) Ibid. 161. 17—20. sqq.

Long before, having perceived the living beings
Enduring a hundred different kinds of suffering,
Thou hast uttered the following entreaty:
“May I become the refuge, the protector and the shelter,
The benefactor and the friend of all that lives! —”
O, hero of virtue, remember now thy previous life
And thy vow of helping the living beings.
The time and the hour for thee have come; —
Depart thou, O great Sage, from thy home.

And from the sounds of the musical instruments, played by the noble women of his retinue he heard the following words which were preceded by a narrative of his previous births¹²¹): —

The 3 spheres of the world are subjected to the suffering
of decrepitude and illness,
And, being without a refuge, are consumed by the fire of
death.
The living beings are ignorant of the means of deliverance
from this Phenomenal Life,
Being like bees that have fallen into a water-pot.
The 3 spheres of the world are non-enduring, being like
clouds in autumn,
The birth and death of a living being appear like a panto-
mime on the stage,
And the duration of life is short, like that of lightning in
the skies. [67. b.]
It flows speedily, like a stream, descending from a mountain.

And¹²²): —

Remember thou thy previous life
And grant thou the vision of the Truth,
Free from defilement and immaculate,
And the sublime light of the Highest Divine Wisdom to
the living beings

Who are obscured by the gloom of ignorance and infatuation.

Upon hearing all this the Bodhisattva got rid of his intoxication and directed his mind toward Supreme Enlightenment. Thereupon, 3 200 000 Devaputras likewise summoned him, saying¹²³): —

¹²¹) Ibid. 173. 11—14.

¹²²) Ibid. 179. 3—4.

¹²³) Ibid. 183. 21—184. 2.

The change of existence, most wonderful¹²⁴),
 And this thy birth have been demonstrated by thee, O
 Lion of men,
 And thou hast likewise made manifest
 Thy life in the circle of noble women¹²⁵).
 Thou hast thus acted in conformity with the worldly custom,
 Having become familiar with the worldly properties,
 And hast brought to maturity a multitude of gods and men.
 But at present thou must think, how to depart from home,
 For the time to do this has now come. —

And further on¹²⁶): —

O thou, sweet-voiced and soft-voiced, —
 Remember thou the prophecy of Dīpaṃkara,
 And let thy voice of a Buddha be heard,
 True, right, and free from error. —

At that time the king beheld in a dream that the Bodhisattva was departing (from home). When he awakened, he asked the eunuch whether the Bodhisattva was still abiding (in the palace). The answer was: — He is here. — The king thought: — This is a sign, that the Bodhisattva is to become an ascetic. — And, in order to make the Bodhisattva still more attached (to his present worldly life), he caused three palaces to be built for him, — a cool one for summer-time, one suitable for the rainy season, and a warm one for the winter¹²⁷). And in each of these palaces 500 men accompanied the Bodhisattva when he ascended and descended the staircase, and half a yojana far was heard their watch-word: — The prince is not to go out unnoticed! —

Now, the sooth-sayers had all of them foretold, that (the Bodhisattva, would depart by the royal gates¹²⁸). And the king ordered many massive door-planks to be made. 500 men were

¹²⁴) tib. *ṣin-tu-brtan* (?) for *atiyaṣūh*.

¹²⁵) Or the harem — *btsun-moḥi-hkhor* = *antaḥpura*.

¹²⁶) Lal.-Vist. 185.15, 16. — *mañju-ruta mañju-ghoṣa smarāhi Dīpaṃkara-sya vyākaraṇam* /

bhūtaṃ tathā avitathā jina-ghoṣa-rutam udīrehi //

¹²⁷) Ibid. 186. 9, 10. sqq. — *tato rājñā Ādudhodanena kumārasya paribhogārtham trayo yathartukā-prāsādāḥ kārītā abhūvan / graiṣmiko vārṣiko hai-māntikaṣ ca* /

¹²⁸) *bkra-ṣis-kyi chab-sgo* = *mangala-dvāra*.

appointed to open and shut these doors, and their watch-word was to be heard [68. a.] half a yojana far¹²⁹).

Thereafter, the Bodhisattva said to (his charioteer) Chandaka¹³⁰): — Prepare for me a chariot to go to the garden. — And Chandaka told this to the king. The latter gave the order that (on the way) the prince was to be kept far from all disagreeable sights and that he should see only pleasant and delightful objects¹³¹).

Then the Bodhisattva went out through the eastern gate, and saw there a man, subjected to the suffering of old age. This apparition was produced by the Devaputras through the incitation of the Bodhisattva himself¹³²). The latter asked Chandaka: ¹³³) —

O, charioteer, who is this man, feeble and helpless?

His flesh and blood have dried up, he has but skin and sinews,

His hair is white, his teeth are scarce, his body meager,

He walks painfully and reeling and leans upon a staff. —

The charioteer replied: ¹³⁴) —

This man, O Prince, is overcome by old age,

His senses are weakened, he is greatly suffering,

And his strength and energy are gone.

He is disrespected by his friends and has no protector,

Is unfit for action and cast out like a withered tree. —

The Bodhisattva then said ¹³⁵): —

Tell me, is this a characteristic of this man only,

Or does the whole of the living world undergo such a state?

Tell me quickly, how is the state of things,

And having heard, I shall duly reflect over the sense. —

¹²⁹) Lal.-vist. 186. 17—19.

¹³⁰) Hdun-pa.

¹³¹) — *mā kumāraḥ pratikūlam paṣyed* etc. Lal.-Vist. 187. 3—11.

¹³²) Ibid. 187. 21. sqq. — *bodhisattvasya eva anubhāvena ādudha-āvāsa-kāyikair devaputraiḥ*. Ibid. 188. 5—9. — *kiṃ sārathē puruṣa durbala alpasthāmo / ucchuṣka-māṃsa-rudhira-tvaca-snāyu-naddhaḥ / cvetamāñciro virala-danta kṛṣṇāgarūpo / ālambya-danda vrajate asukham skhalantaḥ* //

¹³⁴) Ibid. 188. 11—14. — *eṣo hi deva puruṣo jarayā' bhibhūtaḥ / kṣīṇendriyaḥ suduḥkhito bala-vīrya-hīnaḥ / bandhū-janena paribhūta anāthabhūtaḥ / kūr्या' samartha apaviddu vaneva dāruḥ* //

¹³⁵) Ibid. 16—19. — *kula-dharma-eṣa ayam asya hitam bhaṇāhi / athavā' pi sarva-jagato' sya iyaṃ hy avasthā / ṣiḡhram bhaṇāhi vacanam yatha-bhūtam etat / cṛtvā tathā' rtham iha yoniṣa cintayisye* //

The charioteer answered¹³⁶): —

O Prince, this is neither the property of his race, nor of his country only.

With all the living beings, youth gives way to decrepitude;
Thy father and mother and the host of thy relatives likewise
Cannot be delivered from the suffering of old age. —
No other way exists for the living beings! —

To this the Bodhisattva said¹³⁷):

O Charioteer, fie on the minds of the stupid living beings,
They are infatuated with the pride of youth and have no
look for (the coming) old age!

I will go back, turn round the chariot quickly [68. b.]
I too will be subjected to old age; what use is there
For me to be merry and amuse myself? —

So saying, he returned to the city.

Then he went out by the southern gate and, seeing a sick person,
asked¹³⁸):

O, charioteer, who is that man whose body is stiff and
pallid,
Who is deprived of all the senses and breathing hard,
Whose members have all withered, whose belly
Is swollen, and who, perfectly exhausted, sits
In his own urine and ordure, an object of disgust? —

The charioteer replied¹³⁹):

This man, O Prince, is severely ill,
And, full of the fear, caused by this illness, is near to death;
He has not the bright appearance of the healthy, his strength
is gone,

¹³⁶) Ibid. 188. 21—189. 2. — *naī'tasya deva kula-dharma na rāṣṭra-dharmah / sarve jagasya jara yauvanu dharṣayāti / tubhyaṁ pi mātṛ-pitr-bāndhava-jñāti-saṁgho / jarayā amukta na hi anya gatir janasya //*

¹³⁷) Ibid. 189. 4—7. — *dhik sārathē abudha-bāla-janasya-buddhiḥ / yad yauvanena mada-matta jarām na paṣyet / āvartayā' ṣu mi ratham punar aham praveṣye / kiṁ mahya kṛdā-ratibhir jarayā' cṛtasya //*

¹³⁸) Ibid. 189. 14—17. *kiṁ sārathē puruṣa ruṣya-vivarna-gūrah / sarvendriy-ebhi vikalo guru-praṣvasantah / sarvāṅga-ṣuṣka udarākula-kṛcchra-prāpto / mūtre puriṣi svaki tiṣṭhati kutsaniye //*

¹³⁹) Ibid. 19—22. — *eṣo hi deva puruṣo paramaṁ gilāno / vyādhibhayam upagato maraṇānta-prāptaḥ / ārogya-teja-rahito bala-viprahīno / atrāṇa-dvīpa-ṣaṇṇo hy aparāyaṇaḥ ca.*

And he has neither protector, nor refuge, nor shelter, nor help. —

The Bodhisattva said¹⁴⁰):

The state of health is (ephemere) like enjoyment in a dream,
And (on the contrary) the terror of illness is so great!
How can a wise man, having seen this state (of illness),
Indulge in pleasures or have the notion of something as
being blissful? —

(And, as before he returned to the city.)

Then, as he went out through the western gate, he saw a dead
body and asked again¹⁴¹):

Who, O charioteer, is that man,
Whom they carry there on a bier, surrounding him,
Tearing out their hair and nails and scattering dust on
their heads,
Uttering various sounds of lamentation and beating their
breasts? —

The charioteer answered¹⁴²):

This man, O Prince, has died here in Jambudvīpa,
Henceforth he shall no more see his parents, his wife and
children,
He has left his wealth, his home, and the circle of his friends,
He is now in another world and shall no more see those
whom he knew. —

The Bodhisattva said¹⁴³):

Fie on the youth that is overpowered by decrepitude!
Fie on the health that is overpowered by illness!
Worthless for a sage is life that has no long duration, [69. a.]

¹⁴⁰) Ibid. 190. 2—5. — *ārogyatā ca bhavate yatha svapna-kṛdā / vyādhibhayaṁ ca imam iḍṛṣu ghora-rūpaṁ / ko nāma vijñāpuruṣo ima dṛṣṭva vasthām (sic) / kṛdā-ratiṁ ca janayec chubha-saṁjñatām ca //*

¹⁴¹) Ibid. 190. 14—17. — *kiṁ sārathē puruṣa mañca-parigrhīto / uddhūta-keṣa-nakha pāṁṣu ṣire kṣipanti / paricārayitva viharanty uras tāḍayanto / nānā-vilāpa-vacanāni udīrayantaḥ //*

¹⁴²) Ibid. 190. 19—22. — *eṣo hi deva puruṣo mṛtu Jambudvīpe / na hi bhūyu mātṛpitr-drakṣyati putra-dārān / apahāya bhoga-gṛha-mitra-jñāti-saṁgham para-loka-prāptu na hi drakṣyati bhūyu jñātiṁ //*

¹⁴³) Ibid. 191. 2—9. *dhig yauvanena jarayā samabhidrutena / ārogya dhig vividha-vyādhi-parāhṛtena / dhig jīvitena viduṣā nacira-sthitenā / dhik paṇḍita-sya puruṣasya rati-prasangaiḥ etc.*

And worthless is for the wise man the attachment to
worldly pleasures!
O, that old age, illness, and death would not exist!
But great is the suffering that takes hold of the 5 groups
of elements,
And what is there to say of old age, illness and death, which
are persisting and continuous.
Enough, let us go back and reflect
Over the means how to attain Salvation. —

(And, having once more returned to the city, he again went out,
this time) by the northern gate. There he saw a mendicant monk
and asked¹⁴⁴):

Who, O charioteer, is this man with a calm and tranquil mind,
Who goes with downcast eyes, looking only a *yuga*-length
before himself,
Clad in a mantle of reddish hue and walking in perfect peace,
Bearing an alms-bowl and free from arrogance and conceit? —

The charioteer answered¹⁴⁵):

This man, O Prince, is called a mendicant monk,
He has abandoned all desires and undergoes the strictest
discipline,
He has embraced religious life and seeks quiescence for
himself,
Is free from passion and hatred, and wanders, living on
alms. —

To this the Bodhisattva said¹⁴⁶):

Well hast thou spoken, this pleases me;
Religious life has been always praised by the wise. —
In it lies the welfare of oneself and other living beings,

¹⁴⁴) Ibid. 191. 20—192. 2. — *kiṃ sārathē puruṣa śantā-praśānta-citto / notkṣipta-cakṣu vrajate yuga-mātra-darṣi / kṣāya-vastra-vasano supraśānta-cārī / pātraṃ grhītvā na ca uddhatu unnato vā //*

¹⁴⁵) Ibid. 192. 4—7. — *eṣo hi deva puruṣo iti bhikṣu nāma / apahāya kāmā-ratayaḥ suvinīta-cārī / pravrajya-prāptu śamam ātmana eṣamāṇo / saṃrāga-dveṣa-vigato' nveti piṇḍa-caryām //*

¹⁴⁶) Ibid. 192. 9—12. — *sādhū subhāṣitam idaṃ mama rocate ca / pravrajya nāma vidubhiḥ satataṃ praśastā / hitam ātmanaḥ ca para-sattva-hitam ca yatra / sukha-jīvitam sumadhuram amṛtam phalaṃ ca //*

And its result is a blissful existence, full of beatitude and
immortality. —

Thereupon the Bodhisattva returned to his home.

7. [The Departure of the Bodhisattva from Home].¹⁴⁷)

The king, having seen and heard all this, (made arrangements)
in order to guard (the Bodhisattva and prevent his departure).
Walls were built, moats dug out, and massive doors were erected.
At the crossing places of the roads¹⁴⁸), going from each of the
four gates of the city, strong detachments of troops were placed,
in order to guard the passage. The harem received the order to
sing and make music (uninterruptedly) and to arrange various
mirthful plays. But at that time there appeared certain ominous
signs foretelling the Bodhisattva's departure. — The birds ceased
to sing, the lotus-flowers withered, the trees bloomed no more,
the sound of the pipes and lutes suddenly broke up, and the drums,
though they were beaten, ejected no sound. The king sat deeply
pondering [69. b.] Gopā beheld in a dream that the earth trembled
and many other visions, and the Bodhisattva himself had the
following dream. — He saw that he was moving the waves of the
ocean, that the whole of the earth was his couch and the mount
Sumeru — his pillow, that a great light dispersed all darkness,
and that an umbrella, arising from the ground, was spread over
the 3 Spheres of the world. He saw, moreover, that animals
black and white and birds of 4 different colours appeared, and
became, all of them, of one colour, that he himself ascended a
mountain consisting of impurities without becoming polluted, res-
cued many living beings that were carried by the waters of a
stream, healed the sick and, finally, having seated himself on the
slope of the mount Sumeru on a throne supported by lions, re-
ceived the homage of the gods. —

Thereupon the Bodhisattva, thinking it unsuitable to depart
without the leave of his father, went to the latter and said: —
The time of my departure has come. I pray thee not to hinder
me and not to be grieved. The king replied: I shall give thee
everything that thou canst desire, if thou wouldst but remain in
the palace. The Bodhisattva said: — Grant me perpetual youth,

¹⁴⁷) *mñon-par-hbyuñ-ba* = *abhinīṣkramaṇa*.

¹⁴⁸) *Lal-vist. bñi-mdo* = *grṅgātaka*.

health, and immortality. — I have not the power to give thee these. Ask thou something else, — returned the king. Again the Bodhisattva said¹⁴⁹):

O King, if thou canst not grant me these 4 highest boons,
The absence of the fear of old age, illness, death, and of
all calamities,

I pray thee then to hear another my wish, — make
That there should be no repeated existence¹⁵⁰),
After this life has taken an end. —

After that the king said: — May thy desire be fulfilled, — where-upon the Bodhisattva returned to his abode.

And the king told all that to the Çākyas. The latter having agreed to guard the prince, 500 Çākya youths were placed at each of the 4 gates of the city. [70. a.] Each of these had 500 chariots under his command and each chariot was surrounded by 500 foot-soldiers. The eldersmen of the Çākyas placed themselves at all the crossing places of 3 and 4 roads, and the king himself held watch¹⁵¹).

At that time, the Yakṣa chiefs and the 500 sons of Hārītī¹⁵²), as they knew that the Bodhisattva was to depart that evening, exerted themselves in worshipping him. The 4 great guardian-kings thought of offering horses for his departure¹⁵³), and the 33 gods likewise performed acts of worship. And the 4 great vows which the Bodhisattva had previously made, now appeared before his mind¹⁵⁴). At the same time, Dharmacārin and other Devaputras drew the attention (of the Bodhisattva) on the dissolute life of the harem and aroused in him the consciousness of its being disgusting like a cemetery. And after that he uttered the following words¹⁵⁵):

Alas! miserable are these creatures!
How can one find pleasure in an assembly of she-devils?
The foolish minds, obscured by the darkness of ignorance,
Perceive the objects of sensual pleasure, unreal as they are
As if they had some real value,

¹⁴⁹) Ibid. 200. 4—11.

¹⁵⁰) *ñiñ-mtshams-sbyor-ba* = *pratisaṃdhi*.

¹⁵¹) Lal.-vist. 200. 15—201. 10.

¹⁵²) *Hphrog-maḥi bu lña-brgya* = *pañca Hārītī-putra-çatāni*.

¹⁵³) Lal.-vist. 202. 13—15. ¹⁵⁴) Ibid. 204. 13—205. 16.

¹⁵⁵) Ibid. 206. 19—22.

And never can one obtain deliverance,
Being like an encaged bird.

And, having reflected over the subject in 32 ways¹⁵⁶), he concentrated his mind upon the impurity (of the objects of sensual pleasure)¹⁵⁷). Thereafter he went to the top of the palace and made there his salutations to all the Buddhas. And, as he looked about, he saw that Indra, the 4 guardian kings, the sun and the moon were likewise worshipping¹⁵⁸). He beheld moreover that the asterism Puṣya had arisen, and said to Chandaka¹⁵⁹):

This is a lucky omen for me that all my aims are to be attained.

This night my projects will be fulfilled;
Therefore, O Chandaka, do not delay, be quick
And get me a horse decorated with ornaments.

Chandaka asked: — Whither shalt thou go? — and the Bodhisattva replied: — I am departing (from this worldly life). [70. b.] Then Chandaka tried repeatedly to divert him, but (the Bodhisattva) spoke much of the evil¹⁶⁰) caused by desire, and it was impossible to make him change his intention¹⁶¹). Then the Devaputras Çāntamati¹⁶²) and Lalitavyūha¹⁶³) made it impossible for the citizens of Kapilavastu to awake from their sleep and to utter a sound. Then the Bodhisattva said to Chandaka: — Bring me the horse¹⁶⁴) And at that moment, Indra, the chief of the gods, and the 4 guardian kings likewise descended into Kapilavastu¹⁶⁵.) Chandaka then said that it was not the time to depart, but the Bodhisattva replied: —

“In pursuit of the welfare of all that lives,
I, having attained Enlightenment and the state
Where there is no old age, illness, and death,
Shall bring deliverance to the world¹⁶⁶).” —

¹⁵⁶) Ibid. 207. 1—208. 6.

¹⁵⁷) *mi-sdug-paḥi sgom-pa* = *açubha-bhāvanā*.

¹⁵⁸) Ibid. 209. 12—210. 1.

¹⁵⁹) Ibid. 210. 4—6. — *Chandaka capalu mā vilambahe / açva-rāja dada me alaṃkṛtaṃ / sarva-siddhi mama ete mangalā / artha-siddhi dhruvam adya bheṣyate //*

¹⁶⁰) *ñes-dmigs* = *ādinava*.

¹⁶¹) Lal.-vist. 210. 6—217. 4.

¹⁶²) *Ži-baḥi-blo-gros*.

¹⁶³) Brtse-ba-bkod-pa.

¹⁶⁴) Lal.-vist. 217. 5—11.

¹⁶⁵) Ibid. 217. 12—15.

¹⁶⁶) Ibid. 219. 3, 4.

Such was the vow I made long before,
And the time of fulfilling it has now come. —

The Devaputra Saṁcodaka¹⁶⁷) then summoned him, saying¹⁶⁸):

Rise speedily, O thou, endowed with highest power and
energy,

Deliver the living beings, who are tormented by suffering;
The time of thy departure (from worldly life) has now
come. —

Then Indra opened the royal gates, Chandaka, having decorated the horse Kaṇṭaka, brought it before the Bodhisattva who mounted. The 4 guardian-kings having lifted him up (to the saddle), themselves rose up to the skies. Brahma and Indra showed the way, a light, dispersing the gloom, appeared, and, with various sounds of music and hymns of praise, they passed the place where the armed men were encamped (and fast asleep)¹⁶⁹.

When the Bodhisattva had arrived at the Perfectly Pure Sanctuary, he gave back to Chandaka the horse and the ornaments and bade him return. And at that place a monument was erected which was known as "The monument in memory of Chandaka's return"¹⁷⁰). Thereafter, at the foot of the Perfectly Pure Sanctuary he cut off the locks on the crown of his head, and the gods seized these locks and carried them off (as an object of worship). And at that place a monument was likewise erected in memory of this¹⁷¹).

Then the Bodhisattva considered that the rich garment of Benares linen ill suited the custom of a monk, and that it would be right if he obtained a garment befitting one who has embraced religious life. [71. a.] And accordingly one of the gods of the Pure Region¹⁷²), having assumed the form of a huntsman, offered him a garment of a reddish hue¹⁷³). The Bodhisattva, in his turn gave him his clothes of Benares linen, and the Devaputra seized them with both hands, placed them on the crown of his head and

¹⁶⁷) Yañ-dag-par-bskul-ba-po.

¹⁶⁸) Lal.-vist. 220. 1—4.

¹⁶⁹) Ibid. 222. 1—8.

¹⁷⁰) Ibid. 225. 10—14. — *adyā' pi tac caityaṁ Chandaka-nivartanam iti jñāyate.*

¹⁷¹) Ibid. 225. 15—19. — *adyā' pi ca tac cūḍā-pratigrahaṇam iti jñāyate.*

¹⁷²) *gnas-gtsaṅ-maḥi lha = śuddha-āvasikā devatā.*

¹⁷³) *gos nūr-smrig = kṣāya-vastra.*

departed to the realm of the gods in order to worship (these relics). All this was seen by Chandaka who erected there a monument which is called "The monument in memory of (the Bodhisattva's having put on) the religious robes"¹⁷⁴). At that moment (all the Devaputras) exclaimed aloud: — Siddhārtha has embraced religious life! — And this their exclamation was heard as far as Aka-
niṣṭha¹⁷⁵).

Thereafter Chandaka brought home the horse and the ornaments, and, having related all that had happened, appeased the grief of the king and the harem¹⁷⁶).

The Bodhisattva, having cut off the locks on the crown of his head and put on the reddish garments of an ascetic, assumed the character of a mendicant monk and went first to the abode of the Brāhmaṇa Raivata¹⁷⁷) and other hermitages. Finally, he attained Vaiṇalī¹⁷⁸) and came to the place where Ārāḍa-Kālāma¹⁷⁹) was teaching about the (mystic absorption in) the Sphere of Nothingness¹⁸⁰) to his 300 pupils. The Bodhisattva expressed the wish to become likewise a pupil (of Ārāḍa) and, having undergone the necessary training, attained the state of the mind absorbed in the Sphere of Nothingness. He then said to Ārāḍa: — Have you attained only this degree of concentration? — Yes, — replied Ārāḍa. — The Bodhisattva said: — I too have attained it now. — To this Ārāḍa said: — What thou knowest — I know, and what I know—thou knowest. Accordingly, we shall teach the assembly of disciples both together! — Thereupon the Bodhisattva thought: — By this (degree of concentration only) deliverance is not to be attained. One must seek for something more efficient than this¹⁸¹). (Accordingly, he departed and) gradually made his way through Magadha. Finally he reached the mountain Pāṇḍava¹⁸²) and rested there. Thereupon he entered Rājagṛha¹⁸³) by the Tapoda¹⁸⁴) gate. The citizens and their king Bimbisāra¹⁸⁵), full of faith, [71. b.] offered him a part of the kingdom, but he refused.

¹⁷⁴) Lal.-vist. 226. 6—13.

¹⁷⁵) Ibid. 226. 14—227. 2.

¹⁷⁶) Ibid. 237. 18—20.

¹⁷⁷) Sic acc. to Lal., Tib. Rigs-Idan.

¹⁷⁸) Yañs-pa-can. ¹⁷⁹) Rgyu-rtsal-ṣes-kyi bu Riñ-hphur.

¹⁸⁰) *ci-yañ-med-paḥi skye-mched = ākiṁcanya-āyatana.*

¹⁸¹) Lal.-vist. 238. 14—239. 16.

¹⁸²) Skya-bo. ¹⁸³) Rgyal-poḥi-khab.

¹⁸⁴) Chu-dron-can-gyi sgo.

¹⁸⁵) Gzugs-can-sñiñ-po.

Thereafter he met Udraka Rāmaputra¹⁸⁶) who was teaching to his 700 pupils about the concentration of mind in the sphere where there is neither consciousness nor unconsciousness¹⁸⁷), and thought: — By such exercises of austerity I shall produce an elevated state of the mind and get rid of every kind of contemplation that is influenced by defiling agencies. Accordingly he declared that he would be one of the disciples (of Udraka) and soon attained the state of the mind absorbed in the sphere in which there is neither consciousness nor unconsciousness. Then, having spoken (with Udraka) as before (with Ārāḍa-Kālāma)¹⁸⁸), he left him saying: — This is not conducive to Nirvāṇa. — From that time 5 disciples¹⁸⁹) (who had studied with Udraka) followed the Bodhisattva. And, when they had arrived at the summit of the mountain Gayā, the Bodhisattva had a sudden flash of idea regarding 3 points of resemblance unknown and unheard of before, (referring to the ascetics and Brāhmanas who have not abandoned their desires)¹⁹⁰). Then the Bodhisattva, having come to the shore of the river Nairāñjanā, thought as follows: — (I have come into this world) at the time of the 5 kinds of degeneration¹⁹¹), amidst (living beings) who are devoted to teachings of a low order and think to attain purification by incorrect religious observances. In order (to be able to) remove these false views, I must begin the practice of the true form of penance and asceticism.

8. [The Practice of Asceticism.]

Accordingly, after that he abided for 6 years in the state of concentration called “the All-pervading”²⁰²) and during these 6 years underwent the most rigid austerity, feeding upon one grain of

¹⁸⁶) Rañs-byed-kyi-bu Lhag-spyod.

¹⁸⁷) *naiva-saṃjñā-nāsaṃjñā-āyatana*. The tib. has *srid-rtse* = *bhavāgra*.

¹⁸⁸) Lal.-vist. 243. 15—245. 15.

¹⁸⁹) *Līa sde-bzañ-po* = *Pañcakā bhadra-vārgiyāḥ*.

¹⁹⁰) Lal.-vist. 246. 10—247. 4. (First point of resemblance — *prathamā upamā*), 247. 5—11. (Second point of resemblance — *dvitīyā upamā*), 247. 12—22 (Third point of resemblance — *trītiyā upamā*). — *tisra upamāḥ pratibhānti sma / aṣṭuta-pūrvā anabhijñāta-pūrvāḥ /*

¹⁹¹) *sñigs-ma-līa* = *pañca-kaṣāya*. Cf. M. Vyutp. § 124.

¹⁹²) *nam-mkhaḥ-khyab-kyi tiñ-ñe-ḥdzin* = *āspṛāka-samādhi* — *ākāṣam ās-pharaṇam akaraṇam avikaraṇam tac ca sarvaṃ sphaṛaṭi' ti hy ākāṣa-samaṃ tad dhyānaṃ teno'cyate āspṛākam iti* // Lal.-vist. 250. 19—20. The Lal. has *āspṛānaka*.

the jujube, one grain of sesamum, and one grain of rice, and sat suspending his breath. At that time (as he was sitting there immovable), some of the Devaputras said to his mother Māyādevī¹⁹³): Thy son is dead. She came (down) from the realm of the gods, saw the body of the Bodhisattva resembling a corpse and began to lament: — (O my son, said she), immediately after thou wert born, thou hast declared: — This is my last birth. — Now this thy promise has not been fulfilled and the prophecy of the sage Asita (regarding thy future Buddhahood) proves to be untrue. — The Bodhisattva replied¹⁹⁴):

May the sun, the moon, and the multitude of the stars fall
on the ground,

But I shall not die as I am now, an ordinary being.

Therefore thou must not be grieved, for in a short time

Thou shalt witness (my) Enlightenment and attainment
of Buddhahood. —

Thus spoke he, and Māyādevī, delighted, returned to her abode.
[72. a.]

(And, as he continued to sit without stirring), the village cowherds and others stuffed cotton into his ears, but he cast it out from his nose, etc.¹⁹⁵) Then the Evil One, (approaching him), addressed him with pleasant-sounding words, saying: — Maintain, cherish thy life, etc. But, although he thus sought an opportunity (to lead the Bodhisattva into temptation), he found none¹⁹⁶).

Then the Bodhisattva thought: — In order to get rid of the incorrect view, that through the practice of asceticism (alone) one can attain Salvation, I shall now take more substantial food¹⁹⁷) and thereafter go to Bodhimaṇḍa¹⁹⁸). And as he said this, the 5 disciples lost their faith in him and went off to Benares. After that the Bodhisattva got the rags¹⁹⁹) in which the body of Rādhā²⁰⁰) the servant of Sujātā²⁰¹) had been wrapped, washed it in a pond

¹⁹³) *Lha-mo Sgyu-hphrul-ma*.

¹⁹⁴) Lal.-vist. 253. 18, 19 — *candrārka-tāragāṇa bhū pateta / prthagjano naiva ahaṃ mriyeyam / yasmān na ṣoko twayi atra kāryo / na vai cirād drakṣyasi buddha-bodhim* //

¹⁹⁵) Ibid. 257. 3—12.

¹⁹⁶) Ibid. 260. 17—263. 5.

¹⁹⁷) *zas rags-pa* = *audārika-āhāra*.

¹⁹⁸) Ibid. 263. 21—264. 3.

¹⁹⁹) *pāmsukūlika*. Cf. Childers, Pāli Dictionary, p. 325.

²⁰⁰) Grub-ma.

²⁰¹) Legs-skyes-mo.

dug out by the gods, on a flat stone put there by Indra. Then, having got tired, he resolved to get out of the pond. The Evil One (in order to hinder him) suddenly, by magical power, produced high rocks (on the banks of the pond). But the nymph of a tree caused the branches of the latter to bend down; the Bodhisattva grasped them and drew himself out. Then, at the foot of the Kakubha tree²⁰²), he stitched together the garment of rags and, having put over the cloths of reddish hue, presented to him by one of the gods of the Pure Region, entered the village (that was in the neighbourhood), in order to get some food. And, summoned by the gods, Sujātā prepared (food for him), having taken 7 times the cream from the milk of a thousand cows and cast into it fresh grains of rice. And, as in this food prepared by her, the Çrivatsa²⁰³) and other lucky signs were to be seen, she became delighted, and the sooth-sayers prophesied that she would obtain the nectar of immortality. Then she invited the Bodhisattva to eat and, having filled a golden vessel with honey and with the broth of milk (she had prepared), she presented it to him²⁰⁴). And he, having accepted it, went to the bank of the Nairāṇjanā. There he deposited the food and his garments likewise and began to wash. The gods worshipped him and poured water (upon his body). His hair and beard were carried off by Sujātā (as relics). [72. b.] Thereafter he seated himself on a seat supported by lions which was presented to him by the Nāga maiden of that river, and took his meal. And (having eaten), he cast the golden vessel into the water, and it was carried away by Sāgara, the king of the Nāgas²⁰⁵). But Indra, having obtained it from him, brought it to the realm of the 33 gods, worshipped it there, and celebrated a feast in its honour²⁰⁶).

9. [The Victory over the Evil One.]

Then the Bodhisattva, having washed and taken his meal, grew full of strength and with superhuman energy set off toward the Bodhi tree, in order to vanquish Māra. The deities of the rain and wind moistened his path and strew flowers upon it. And all

²⁰²) *çiñ sgrub-byed-kyi druñ-du*. Lal.-vist. 267. 6—8.

²⁰³) *dpañ-behu*. ²⁰⁴) Lal.-vist. 268. 22, 22.

²⁰⁵) Kluhi-rgyal-po Rgya-mtsho = Sāgara-Nāgarāja.

²⁰⁶) Lal.-vist. 270. 1—12. *nūtvā pātrī-yātrām nāma parvāṇi pravartitavān* /

the mountains and trees bent down (in the direction of Bodhi-maṇḍa), and even the new-born infants showed him the way with their heads, as they slept with their faces turned in that direction²⁰⁷). And Brahma, the Powerful²⁰⁸), the Lord of the 3000 worlds, summoned all who surrounded him to worship, as the Bodhisattva was to reach Bodhi-maṇḍa that evening. Accordingly, inconceivable acts of worship were performed²⁰⁹). And from the body of the Bodhisattva there came forth a light, through which all suffering and turmoil was pacified and the spirits of the converts rendered pure. (Seeing this), Kālīka the king of the Nāgas²¹⁰) likewise worshipped the Bodhisattva²¹¹). Thereafter the latter, seeing to the right side of the road a tuft of the Svastika grass²¹²), addressed it as follows²¹³):

O give me quickly a bundle of grass,

To-day such grass will be of great use to me:

Having vanquished Māra and his hosts,

I shall attain Supreme Enlightenment and Quiescence.

And it presented him with a bundle of grass, green, soft, and pleasant to feel. Having taken it, he thrice walked round the Bodhi tree, spread the grass with the tops inward and the roots outwards, and, looking toward the east, sat down, erected himself, and, concentrating his mind, said²¹⁴):

May, as long as I sit here, my body wither away,

May the skin, the bones and the flesh decay,

But until I have not attained Enlightenment

Which is hard to be secured even during many aeons, —

I shall not move from this spot. — [73 a.]

Such was the powerful oath he uttered.

At that time the gods, in order to protect the Bodhisattva, placed themselves at the 10 quarters of the skies. And the Bodhi-

²⁰⁷) Ibid. 273. 9—15.

²⁰⁸) Tshañs-pa dbaṅ-bsgyur = Brahmā vaçavartī.

²⁰⁹) Lal.-vist. 274. 16—278. 5.

²¹⁰) Klu Nag-po. ²¹¹) Lal.-vist. 278. 20—281. 9. sqq.

²¹²) *bkra-çis-rtsva brñā-ba* = *svastika-yāvasika*.

²¹³) Lal.-vist. 287. 3—4. — *trṇu dehi mi svastika çighraṃ / adya samārthu trṇaiḥ sumahantaḥ / sabalaṃ namuciṃ vihanitvā / bodhiṃ anuttara-çānti sprçīṣye*.

²¹⁴) Lal.-vist. 289. 19—20. — *ihā' sane çuṣyatu me çariraṃ / tvag-asihimāmsaṃ pralayaṃ ca yātu / aprāpya bodhiṃ bahu-kalpa-dullabhāṃ / naivāsanāt kāyam ataç caliṣyate //*

sattva caused a light to issue from his body, called "the light summoning the Bodhisattvas"²¹⁵). This light was seen throughout innumerable regions, and many Bodhisattvas, having assembled, worshipped him²¹⁶). Then he thought: — It is not proper for me to attain Enlightenment, without having made it known to Māra. — And, accordingly, he let a light called "the Destroyer of all the realms of Māra"²¹⁷) issue from his forehead. This light caused all the abodes of the Evil One to be seen, made them tremble, and darkened them. And the following words were to be heard²¹⁸):

The purest living being who has practised virtue during numerous aeons,

The son of Çuddhodana, having renounced his royal power, Has departed (from home) in the wish of helping others and striving for the nectar of immortality,

And has now come to the Bodhi tree. Take care, therefore now, (O Māra)! —

and so on.

And Māra, the Evil One, had 32 dreams, that his abode was covered with darkness and the like, and made this known to his adherents. Māra's son, Sārthavāha²¹⁹), tried to divert him (from going to encounter the Bodhisattva), but in vain. —

In the forms of Yakṣas, vampires, and great serpents,

Of cannibal demons, ghosts, and fiends,

Terrifying, hideous and fierce, —

Did Māra cunningly transform all his hosts²²⁰).

But, although he beheld such and many other frightful forms, —

The son of the Çākyas, having cognized

That all the elements are relative and essentially unreal,

²¹⁵) *byañ-chub-sems-dpañ bskul-ba žes-bya-baḥi ḥod.* = *bodhisattva-saṃcodanā nāma raçmi.*

²¹⁶) Lal.-vist. 290. 5—299. 7.

²¹⁷) *bdud-kyi-dkyil-hkhor thams-cad ḥjoms-par-byed-pa žes-bya-baḥi ḥod* = *sarva-māra-maṇḍala-vidhvaṃsana-karī-nāma raçmi.*

²¹⁸) Lal.-vist. 300. 13—15. — *kalpogha-cirṇa-carito hy aticuddha-sattvaḥ / Çuddhodanasya tanayaḥ pratijahya rājyaṃ / so nirgato hitakaro hy amṛtā-bhilaṣi / bodhi-drumaṃ hy upagato' dya kuru prayatnam.* //

²¹⁹) Ded-dpon.

²²⁰) Lal.-vist. 307. 18, 19. — *yakṣa-kumbhāṇḍa-mahoraga-rūpāḥ / rākṣasa-preta-piçācaka-rūpāḥ / yattaka loki virūpa-suraudrāḥ / sarvi ta nirmita tatra çaṭhebbhiḥ* //

And being endowed with a mind (all-pervading and quiescent) like space,

Did not become deluded on seeing all the cunning of the Evil One's hosts²²¹).

Thereafter Māra was persuaded by those of his adherents who stood to the right side and sympathized with the Bodhisattva, to abstain (from further contest). On the contrary those to the left who were hostile to him, urged (Māra to continue the strife). [73. b.] And Māra hurled various weapons at the Bodhisattva, but these were all transformed into flowers. Then the Evil One said: — How canst thou attain Salvation only by these thy merits? — The Bodhisattva replied: — Thou hast performed one unimpeded sacrifice²²²) and hast by the virtue of it become the Lord of the World of Desire. I, in my turn have made many unimpeded sacrifices. — The sacrifice performed by me, said Māra, was unimpeded and irreproachable. Thyself, thou art the witness of it. But for thy deeds there is no witness whatever; therefore all thou sayest is useless: thou art defeated. — To this the Bodhisattva said: — This earth is my witness. And, striking the earth with his right hand²²³): —

This earth is the support of all the living beings,

It is equal and it is impartial

With regard to all, that does and does not move.

May it bear evidence that I do not lie,

And may it be the witness before you.

And, as he said this, the earth trembled 6 times and out came Sthāvarā²²⁴) the goddess of the earth, showing half of her body and, folding her hands, said: — O highest of beings, so it is. As thou hast said, so is it, perfectly true. It is all evident and clear to me. But, O Lord, thou art thyself the highest witness (of the truth) for all the world, including the gods. — Thus spoke she and disappeared. —

²²¹) Ibid. 308. 13, 14. — *çākyasutas tu svabhāvam abhāvam / dharma prātītya-samutthita buddhvā / gaganopama-cittu suyukto / na bhramate sabalaṃ çāṭha drṣtvā* //

²²²) *gtan-pa-med-paḥi mchod-sbyin* = *niragaḍa-yajña.*

²²³) Lal.-vist. 318. 18, 19. — *iyam mahi sarva-jagat-pratiṣṭhā / apakṣa-pātā sacarā' care samā / iyam pramāṇā mama nāsti me mṛṣā / sākṣitvam asmin mama saṃprayacchatu* //

²²⁴) Brtan-ma.

And the Cunning One with his hosts,
Having heard this voice of the earth,
Like jackals hearing the lions roar
In the forest, and like ravens at the sound of a missile,
Fled with hearts full of wrath and fear²²⁵).

Thereafter the Evil One, disappointed, sent his own daughters to disturb (the Bodhisattva). These tried in 32 different ways to seduce him, by covering half of their faces etc. [74 a.] But (all these efforts) were unable to delude (the Bodhisattva), to the great distress of the Evil One²²⁶). Then Āśi²²⁷) and other tree-nymphs, 8 in number, praised the Bodhisattva in 16 different ways, saying: — Thou art beautiful, like the disc of the ascending autumn moon, — and so on²²⁸). In 16 forms likewise did these deities scorn Māra: — O Evil One, thou art feeble like an old elephant fallen into a mire, etc.²²⁹) And in 16 different ways did the gods try to divert Māra, but in vain. He again hurled different missiles (at the Bodhisattva) and showed many miraculous apparitions, but gained no ground by this. The host of demons dispersed in confusion, and for 7 days they could not meet together again. And many demons at that time made the Creative Effort for Supreme Enlightenment.

10. [The Attainment of Supreme Enlightenment.]

Thereafter the Bodhisattva became absorbed in the 4 degrees of trance²³⁰) and obtained the 3 kinds of Highest Knowledge. Then, from the last part of the night, before sunrise, and within the space of time of the beating of a drum he came to the cognition of the 12 members of the causal chain and the 4 Truths of the Saint. And after that, by the force of momentary Highest Wisdom²³¹), he attained the full Enlightenment, grew to the height of 7 palm-

trees and made the following solemn utterance²³²): — “Finished is the course of my Path”, — and so on²³³).

And the gods strewed flowers which covered his feet up to his knees and worshipped him. The world grew full of light, the earth trembled, and all the Buddhas in the 10 quarters of the sky became full of highest delight and saluted him, saying²³⁴):

Just as we have attained Enlightenment (before),
In the same way thou hast likewise come to Buddhahood,
(Being pure) like clarified butter and its essence. —

And the daughters of the gods likewise praised him. The Teacher in his turn made another solemn utterance²³⁵):

The fruit of virtue is bliss and the removal of all suffering,
The projects of a virtuous being meet with success.

[74 b.] Having vanquished Māra he attains Enlightenment

And the cool quiescent essence of Nirvāṇa at an early date. — And then, after the gods had again greatly praised him, he remained for a week, sitting immovably in a cross-legged posture and contemplated the Bodhi tree²³⁶). On the second week he made his journey through the 3000 thousands of worlds. On the third he again contemplated the Bodhi tree without shutting his eyes. And, on the fourth week he made another walk, not so long (as the first) to the eastern and the western (seas). Thereafter Māra, the Evil One, entreated him to depart into Nirvāṇa, but, as the Buddha declared that, before having accomplished the aim of all the converts, he would not pass away, Māra was again disappointed. His daughters, Rati²³⁷) and the rest approached the Buddha (in order to seduce him), but he transformed them into old hags. On the fifth week there was rainy and stormy weather, and at that time the Buddha abided in the realm of the Nāga king Mucilinda²³⁸). On the sixth week he went to the Nyagrodha-tree of Ajapāla²³⁹) and addressed the Parivrajakas²⁴⁰) as follows²⁴¹):

²³²) *ched-du-brjod-pa* = *udāna*. ²³³) Lal.-vist. 351. 1, 2.

²³⁴) Ibid. 353. 7, 8. — *bodhir yathāmanugatā bhavatā viçuddhā / tulyaḥ samo'si yatha sarpini sarpa-mandaiḥ //*

²³⁵) Ibid. 355. 19—22. — *punya-vipāku sukha sarva-duḥkhāpaneti / abhi-prāyu sidhyati ca punyavato narasya / kṣipram ca bodhi spr̥çate vinihatya mārām / çānūpatho gacchati ca nirvṛti(sic)-çiti-bhāvam //*

²³⁶) Ibid. 369. 9—11. ²³⁷) Dgaḥ-ma. ²³⁸) Btañ-bzuñ.

²³⁹) Ra-skyon. ²⁴⁰) Kun-tu-rgyu.

²⁴¹) Lal.-vist. 380. 16—19.

²²⁵) Lal.-vist. 319. 13—16. — *taṁ çrutvā medi-niravaṁ sa çatḥaḥ sasainyaḥ / uttrasta bhinna-hṛdayo prapalāna sarve / çrutvā' va simha-naditam vane hi çrgālāḥ / kākā va loṣṭu-patane sahasā prañāṣṭāḥ //*

²²⁶) Ibid. 320. 1—331. 19. ²²⁷) Dpal-ldan.

²²⁸) Lal.-vist. 332. 3—4. — *upaçobhase tvaṁ viçuddha-sattva candra iva çukla-pakṣe / abhivirocase tvaṁ viçuddhabuddha sūrya iva prodayamānaḥ //*

²²⁹) Ibid. 333. 2. — *durbalas tvaṁ pāpīyan jirṇa-gaja iva pankamagnaḥ //*

²³⁰) *bsam-gtan* = *dhyāna*.

²³¹) *skad-cig geig dañ ldan-paḥi çes-rab-kyis* = *eka-citta-kṣāṇa-saṁyuktayā prajñayā*. Is the same as *eka-kṣāṇa-abhisambodha*.

Blissful is the solitary life of him
Who has heard the Doctrine and perceived the Truth,
And full of uninterrupted bliss is the life
Of him who has subdued the animate beings,
But has not done harm to anybody, —

and so on. On the seventh week he abided at the foot of a sacred fig-tree.²⁴²⁾ The merchants Trapuṣa²⁴³⁾ and Bhallika²⁴⁴⁾ offered him honey, rice-gruel, and sugar-cane, the bark of which had been taken off. But he thought: — It is not suitable to take (this food) with one's hands. With the previous Buddhas it was a bowl in which they accepted (the offerings). — And the 4 guardian kings offered him vessels made of gold etc., but he did not take them (knowing that the bowls of the former Buddhas had been made of stone). Accordingly, each of the 4 kings took one of the 4 vessels that were presented to Vaiṣṭhavya²⁴⁵⁾ by the deities of the Blue Region²⁴⁶⁾, filled them with flowers, offered them and made their salutations. [75. a.] The Lord said²⁴⁷⁾: —

Give the mendicant's bowl to the Buddha,
And thou shalt be thyself the vessel of the Highest Doctrine.
He who offers the bowl to such like me,
Will never be deprived of wisdom and memory.

Such and similar words he uttered, accepted (the 4 vessels) and pronounced a blessing by the force of which they were transformed into one. Then Trapuṣa and Bhallika prepared cream taken from the milk of a thousand cows, poured it into a trough made of precious stones and offered it to him. And (the Buddha), after having taken this meal, cast away the trough which was carried off by Brahma. Then the Teacher granted the following benediction to Trapuṣa and Bhallika²⁴⁸⁾:

The blessing of the Divine bring fortune to all the countries,
And bring to accomplishment all the desired aims.
All your projects are to be fulfilled,
And everything will soon be favourable to you. —

²⁴²⁾ *çin sgrol-rgyuhi druñ-du' = tārāyana-mūle.*

²⁴³⁾ Ga-gon. ²⁴⁴⁾ Bzañ-po (? Bhadrīka).

²⁴⁵⁾ Rnam-sras.

²⁴⁶⁾ *nīla-kāyika-devaputra.*

²⁴⁷⁾ Lal.-vist. 384. 8, 9. — *upanāmayasva sugatasya bhājanam / tvañ bheṣyase bhājanam agra-yāne / asmad-vidhebhya hi pradāya bhājanam / smṛtir matiḥ caiva na jātu hiyate //* ²⁴⁸⁾ Ibid. 387. 12—391. 18.

This and the following he said and prophesied them to be the Buddhas known by the name of Madhusambhava²⁴⁹⁾.

11. [The Swinging of the Wheel of the Doctrine.]

Thereafter the Teacher seated himself, intending to abide in silence and indifference, and said²⁵⁰⁾:

I have secured the cognition of the Truth, profound,
Free from defilement, illuminating, eternal, and like nectar.
But, if I should demonstrate it to others, they will not understand.

Therefore I shall abide in solitude in the forest.

But then he thought²⁵¹⁾:

Infinite is my Commiseration with regard to all that lives,
And I must not hesitate when others pray me.

These living beings are devoted to Brahma; so

If he prays me I shall swing the Wheel of the Doctrine. —

Accordingly he caused a light to issue from his body, and Brahma, the crested²⁵²⁾, the lord of the 3000 worlds, came to know this, summoned his adherents and, with 6 800 000 other deities of the Brahmāloka entreated the Buddha with folded hands, saying²⁵³⁾:

Thou hast attained the sphere of Sublime Divine Wisdom,
And, the rays of this Wisdom, expanding through the 10 quarters of the sky,

Cause to open those lotuses who are the living beings.

O Thou, sun of Sublime Speech, why dost Thou now remain indifferent? —

With such and similar words did he summon the Buddha. And, as the latter expressed his consent by silence [75 b.], Brahma departed, and the Buddha, in his turn, remained sitting as if he was quite indifferent (to Brahma's exhortation).

²⁴⁹⁾ *Sbrañ-rtsi-hbyuñ-ba žes-paḥi rgyal-bar luñ-bstan-no.* — Lal.-vist. 391. 22. — *Madhusambhava nāma jinā bhaviṣyatha //*

²⁵⁰⁾ Ibid. 393. 1, 2. — *gambhīra çānto virajāḥ prabhāsvaraḥ / prāpto mi dharmo hy amṛto' saṃskṛtaḥ / deçeya cā' hañ na parasya jāne / yan nūna tūṣṇī pavane vaseyam //*

²⁵¹⁾ Ibid. 393. 13, 14.

²⁵²⁾ Tshañs-pa gtsug-phud-can = Çikḥi Mahābrahmā.

²⁵³⁾ Lal.-vist. 394. 17, 18.

Thereupon Indra likewise entreated him saying²⁵⁴):

Thy mind has obtained complete deliverance
Like the full moon delivered from the jaws of Rahu,
I pray thee, rise up, Thou who hast conquered in battle,
And let the light of Thy Wisdom appear in the darkness
of this world. —

Thus spoke he, but Buddha did not answer a word. Then Brahma again addressed him²⁵⁵):

O Great Sage, I pray Thee to expound the Doctrine, —
For there are such who are desirous (of hearing it). —

The Teacher replied²⁵⁶):

The living beings are fettered by the bonds of Desire,
And are carried by the stream (of Phenomenal Life).
I, in my turn, have come to the intuition of the Truth with
great difficulty,
For this reason there is no use of teaching it. —

Again the Teacher gave up his mind to indifference. And various unlucky signs appeared: — The fire did not blaze forth, and so on²⁵⁷). (Having seen this), Brahma said²⁵⁸): —

In this country of Magadha an impure teaching,
Produced by defiled thoughts has been preached.
Therefore, O Sage, I pray Thee to admit us to the nectar,
And may the immaculate Doctrine of the Buddha be heard.

As he thus insisted, Buddha looked upon the living beings who were unsteady (as regards the means of deliverance) and gave his consent, saying²⁵⁹):

²⁵⁴) Ibid. 397. 1, 2. — *uttiṣṭha vijīta-saṁgrāma prajñakārā timirā vivara loke / cittaṁ hi te vimuktaṁ ṣaṣir iva pūrṇo graha-vimuktaḥ //*

²⁵⁵) Ibid. 397. 11. *deṣaya tvaṁ mune dharmāṁ ajñātāro bhaviṣyanti //*

²⁵⁶) Ibid. 397. 18, 19. — *anusrotaṁ pravāhyante kāmeṣu patitāḥ prajāḥ / kṛcchreṇa me' yaṁ saṁprāptam alaṁ tasmāt prakāṣitum //*

²⁵⁷) Ibid. 398. 2—8.

²⁵⁸) Ibid. 398. 16, 17. — *vādo babhūva samalair vicintito dharmo' viṣuddho Magadheṣu pūrvam / amṛtaṁ mune tad vivṛṇiṣva dvāraṁ ṣṇvanti dharmāṁ vimalena buddham //* Cf. Yaçomitra, Abhidharmakośa-vyākhyā, II. Koṣa-sthāna, B. B. 16. 15—17. 4.

²⁵⁹) Ibid. 400. 18, 19. — *apāvṛtās teṣāṁ amṛtasya dvārā / brahmanti satatam ye crotavantaḥ / praviṣṇanti cṛaddhā naviheṣṭha-saṁjñāḥ, etc.*

I shall admit to the nectar those of the living beings,
Who have ears to hear, are possessed of faith,
And always listen to the Doctrine, free from sinful thoughts.

Thereafter the deities of the Bodhi tree, Dharmaruci²⁶⁰), and others asked: — Where shalt thou turn the Wheel of the Doctrine? — He replied: — In Benares. — To this they said: — There are few people in that place and there is no shade; it will be better to preach elsewhere. — O ye, fair-faced, do not say so, — returned he. Then he reflected, as to who could be those disciples who were easy to convert, and to whom he was to teach the Doctrine first of all. And, knowing that Udraka had died a week before and Ārāḍa-Kālāma had likewise passed away 3 days ago, he resolved to teach the Doctrine to the 5 disciples. [76 a.] Accordingly, from Magadha, he went to Benares. And on the way he met a beggar²⁶¹) who addressed him as follows: — Thy faculties are acute and Thy skin is pure; — from whom hast Thou learned to live in virtue? The Lord replied²⁶²):

There is none who could be my teacher, and none who could be equal to me.

I am the Unique Buddha, perfectly calm and free from defilement. —

Thereupon (the beggar) asked: — Doest thou call thyself an Arhat? — (The Lord) replied²⁶³):

I am the Arhat in this world, —

I am the Teacher, greater than whom there is none.

There is not a being that could be like me,

Including the gods, the Asuras and the Gandharvas. —

The beggar asked again: — Doest thou say that thou art a Buddha, one who is called “the Victorious”? — The Teacher said²⁶⁴):

“The Victorious”²⁶⁵) (the Buddhas) are those

Who like myself have come to the extirpation of defilement;

²⁶⁰) Chos-sred.

²⁶¹) *ḥtsho-ba-pa* = *ājivaka*.

²⁶²) Lal.-vist. 405. 20, 21. — *ācāryo na hi me kaṣcit sadṛṣo me na vidyate / eko' ham asmi sambuddhaḥ cīti-bhūto nirāsravaḥ //*

²⁶³) Ibid. 406. 2, 3. — *aham evā' rahan loke cāstā hy aham anuttaraḥ / sa-devāsura-gandharve nāsti me pratipudgalaḥ //*

²⁶⁴) Ibid. 406. 6, 7. — *jinā hi sādṛṣā jñeyā ye prāptā āsrava-kṣayam / jīta me pāpakā dharmās teno' paka jino hy aham //* ²⁶⁵) *rgyal-ba* = *jina*.

I have vanquished all that is sinful,
Therefore, O Upaka²⁶⁶), I am "the Victorious". —
Whither art thou going? — inquired the beggar. —

To Benares I intend to go;
Having come to that illustrious city,
I shall produce an unsurpassable light,
For the sake of the world that is like blind²⁶⁷).

The beggar said: — May it be so, — and departed to the south. The teacher in his turn, went northward, reached the mountains Gayā, Rohitavastu²⁶⁸), Uruvilvākalpa²⁶⁹) and Aṇāla²⁷⁰), went from there to the city called Sārathipura²⁷¹), and finally came to the shores of the Ganges. There the ferryman asked him the passage-money. — I have none, — replied the teacher, rose up into the air and passed over the river. This came to be known by the king Bimbisāra who forbade after that to take any loan from the monks. Buddha then came to Benares, collected alms, took his meal, and then went to the place called Ṛṣipatana²⁷²). The 5 disciples (who had left him) saw him coming and said: — The ascetic Gautama who has slackened (in his austerities), has eaten plentifully, and has neglected the removal (of all that is worldly), is now coming here. [76 b.] No one need to rise up and to present him the religious robes and the bowl. If he wants, he may seat himself on the seat that is left. Such was the agreement they made²⁷³), but Ājñāta-kaundinya did not approve it in his mind. The Teacher arrived, but the 5 were not able to fulfill their intention (of showing disrespect to him). They broke their agreement and rose up from their seats. — One went to meet the Teacher, another prepared the seat (for him) and water to wash his feet, etc. Welcome, they said, — pray to sit thyself on this seat. — The Teacher seated himself and spoke many a word to the 5 disciples that excited their joy²⁷⁴). The five said: — O long-lived Gautama, thy senses are

²⁶⁶) Ner-hgro.

²⁶⁷) Lal.-vist. 406. 10, 11. — *Vārāṇasīm gamiṣyāmi gatvā vai Kācīnām purīm / andhabhūtasya lokasya kartāmy asadr̥cām prabhām //*

²⁶⁸) Lteñ (?) ²⁶⁹) Rgyas (?) ²⁷⁰) Tsan-dan-la (?)

²⁷¹) Groñ-khyer Kha-lo-bsgyur.

²⁷²) Drañ-sroñ-ltuñ-ba.

²⁷³) *hog-khrims bcas = kriyābandham akārṣuḥ*. Lal.-vist. 407. 18 sqq.

²⁷⁴) Ibid. 409, 1.

acute and thy skin (body) is pure²⁷⁵). Hast thou made manifest the special intuitive knowledge (of a Saint)? — (The Buddha replied): — You must not call the Buddha "long-lived". A long period of life-time does not bring happiness. — I have obtained the nectar, have become a Buddha, and am omniscient²⁷⁶). Have you not made just now a bad agreement (in order to show disrespect to me)? — And, as he spoke thus, they became monks (under his orders), fell to his feet, confessed their sins, and became full of reverence. After the Teacher had refreshed his body, he thought: — Where am I to turn the Wheel of the Doctrine? — And at that place there appeared 1000 seats made of the 7 kinds of jewels²⁷⁷). (The Teacher) circumambulated 3 of these (that had belonged to the previous Buddhas) and then seated himself on the 4th. And, after he had done this, a light issued from his body, illuminating the 3000 thousands of worlds. The earth trembled, and the living beings became purified. Thereupon the gods presented him a golden wheel with a 1000 spokes and prayed him to swing the Wheel of the Doctrine. During the first quarter of the night, he did not utter a word; then at midnight he spoke so as to gladden (the disciples). [77 a.] And, finally, from the last quarter of the night he began to preach (to the five): — O monks, there are 2 extremities which are to be avoided by him who has embraced religious life. These are: — The extremity of licence²⁷⁸) and that of self-torture²⁷⁹). The Buddha teaches the Doctrine as being the middle way²⁸⁰) shunning both these extremities. (This middle way) is the 8 fold Path of the Saint²⁸¹). O monks, these are the 4 Truths (or cardinal principles)²⁸²) of a Saint. There is the uneasiness (of Phenomenal Life)²⁸³), there is the cause of it²⁸⁴), its Extinction,²⁸⁵) and the Path that leads to this Extinction²⁸⁶).

²⁷⁵) Ibid. 409. 2, 3. — *viprasannāni te āyusman Gautama indriyāṇi pariśud-dhaṣ chavi-varṇaḥ* etc. ²⁷⁶) Ibid. 409. 8, 9.

²⁷⁷) Ibid. 410. 6. — *sapta-ratna-mayam āsana-sahasraṁ prādurabhūt / ḥḍod-pa bsod-nāms-kyi mīhaḥ = kāma-sukhallika-anuyoga-anta.*

²⁷⁸) *ñal žiñ dub-paḥi mīhaḥ = ātma-klamatha-anuyoga-anta.*

²⁷⁹) *dbu-maḥi lam = madhyama-pratipad.*

²⁸⁰) *hphags-paḥi lam yan-lag-brgyad = ārya-aṣṭāṅga-mārga.*

²⁸¹) *hphags-paḥi bden-pa bži = catvāri ārya-satyāni.*

²⁸²) *sdug-bsñal = duḥkha.*

²⁸³) *kun-hbyuñ = samudaya.*

²⁸⁴) *hgog-pa = nirodha.*

²⁸⁵) *lam = mārga or nirodha-gā minī pratipad.*

— Then: — Phenomenal Existence is to be cognized²⁸⁷), its cause is to be removed²⁸⁸), and so on. And: — Phenomenal Existence is cognized, its cause is removed, — etc. In such a way he thrice entered upon the subject of the 4 Truths and turned the Wheel of the Doctrine in 12 ways²⁸⁹). The consequence was, that Kaundīnya became an Arhat and came to the full realization (i. e. the cognition) of the 3 Jewels. —

Thus, in 12 forms did the Buddha swing the Wheel of the Doctrine,

And Kaundīnya came to the full cognition

And the realization of the 3 Jewels²⁹⁰).

In regard of this swinging of the Wheel of the Doctrine, we must distinguish 5 points, viz. the place (1), time (2), hearers (3), the Doctrine itself (4), and its aim (5). The first was Benares. The time was, according to some, 6 years and 6 months, according to Chimpa²⁹¹) — 7 years, and according to Chag — 7 years without 2 months. The hearers were Kaundīnya, Aṣvajit²⁹²), Bāṣpa²⁹³) Mahānāman²⁹⁴), and Bhadrīka²⁹⁵), — 5 men and a numerous assembly of gods. The Doctrine was that of the 4 Truths, repeated 3 times, thus representing the swinging of the Wheel in 12 forms. In the *Abhidharmakośa*²⁹⁶) it is said: —

The Wheel of the Doctrine represents (the Teaching of) the Path of Illumination²⁹⁷).

(The latter resembles a Wheel) by its swift movement, etc.

And by its component parts²⁹⁸) likewise. — [77. b.]

Thus the Path of Illumination is called the “Wheel of the Doctrine”, since it has a resemblance with a wheel by its swift movement, sweeping away, turning, subduing that which has not been subdued, fixing that which has been subdued, ascending and descending. The venerable Ghosaka²⁹⁹) says: — Of the eightfold Path

²⁸⁷) *sdug-bśnal yoñs-su-ṣes-par-bya* = *duḥkhaṃ pariññeyam*.

²⁸⁸) *kun-ḥbyuñ spañ-bar-bya* = *samudayaḥ prahātavyaḥ*.

²⁸⁹) *triparivarta-dvādaśākāra-dharma-cakra-pravartana*. Cf. M. Vyutp. § 64.

²⁹⁰) Lal.-vist. 421. 1, 2. — *evaṃ hi dvādaśākāraṃ dharma-cakraṃ pravartitaṃ* / *Kaundīnyena ca ājñātaṃ nirvṛtā ratanās trayāḥ* (sic) //

²⁹¹) Mchims-pa. ²⁹²) Rta-thul. ²⁹³) Rlañs-pa.

²⁹⁴) Miñ-chen. ²⁹⁵) Bzañ-Idan.

²⁹⁶) Transbaikalian (Tsugol Monastery) edition, 89 b. 1—2.

²⁹⁷) *mthoñ-lam* = *darśana-mārga*.

²⁹⁸) Lit. “its spokes”. ²⁹⁹) Dbyañs-sgrog.

of the Saint, the correct view³⁰⁰), correct reflection³⁰¹), correct exertion³⁰²), and recollection³⁰³) are the spokes (of the Wheel). Appropriate speech³⁰⁴), acts³⁰⁵), and means of livelihood³⁰⁶) are like the navel. Finally correct concentration is similar to the circumference of a wheel. Owing to all these points of resemblance (the 8 fold Path of the Saint) is called the Wheel of the Doctrine. We have it however usually said that the Path of Illumination is called the Wheel of the Doctrine. The realization of this Path in (the stream of elements) of Kaundīnya, is spoken of as “the Swinging of the Wheel of the Doctrine”. It has been repeated 3 times, viz. 1. “This is the uneasiness of Phenomenal Life”, etc., 2. “Phenomenal Existence is to be fully cognized”, etc., 3. “Phenomenal Existence has been fully cognized”, etc. With regard to each of these 3 “repetitions” it has been said: — The vision (of this) has arisen, and the cognition, full apprehension, and analysis (of it) have been brought about³⁰⁷). — The Path free from impediments³⁰⁸), the Path of Deliverance³⁰⁹), and the Special Path³¹⁰) have been demonstrated, as representing the 12 aspects of the Teaching. — But, may it be said, we shall have altogether 12 “repetitions” and 64 aspects. — There is no mistake in this, since the divisions in 3 and in 12 correspond to each other. According to the *Vaibhāṣikas*, the 3 repetitions or recurrences (of the Wheel) demonstrate the Paths of Illumination, Contemplation³¹¹), and the Ultimate Path³¹²). But in such a case the swinging of the Wheel of the

³⁰⁰) *yañ-dag-paḥi lta-ba* = *samyag-drṣṭi*.

³⁰¹) *yañ-dag-paḥi rtog-pa* = *samyak-saṃkalpa*.

³⁰²) *yañ-dag-paḥi-rtol-ba* = *samyag-vyāyāma*.

³⁰³) *yañ-dag-paḥi dran-pa* = *samyak-smṛti*.

³⁰⁴) *yañ-dag-paḥi ñag* = *samyag-vāk*.

³⁰⁵) *yañ-dag-paḥi las-miḥaḥ* = *samyak-karmānta*.

³⁰⁶) *yañ-dag-paḥi ḥiṣha-ba* = *samyag-ājīva*.

³⁰⁷) Lal.-vist. 417. 16, 17. *jñānam utpannam cakṣur utpannam vidyā utpannā medhā utpannā prajñā utpannā ālokaḥ prādurbhūtaḥ*.

³⁰⁸) *bar-chad-med-lam* = *ānantarya-mārga*.

³⁰⁹) *rnām-grol-lam* = *vimukti-mārga*.

³¹⁰) *khyad-par-gyi lam* = *viṣeṣa-mārga*. Cf. Yaçomitra, *Abhidharmakośa-vyākhyā* II Koçasthāna, B. B. 31. 20—32. 1. — *ānantarya-mārga utpadyate / sa punar yena kleṣāṇ prajahāti / vimukti-mārgo' py ānantarya-mārgād anantaram utpadyate kleṣa-prahāṇa-prāpter avadhārakaḥ / viṣeṣa-mārgas tata uccaṃ viṣiṣṭo mārgaḥ / tena mārgaṇa nava-prakārāḥ kleṣāḥ prahēyūḥ /*

³¹¹) *sgom-lam* = *bhāvanā-mārga*.

³¹²) *mi-slob-lam* = *aṣṭaiṣa-mārga*.

Doctrine could not consist of 3 recurrences and 12 forms, since the Path of Illumination alone would not represent these 3 recurrences and 12 forms. For this reason, just this division of the Doctrine³¹³ is called "The Wheel of the Doctrine". The 3 recurrences are the 4 Truths of the Saint as repeated 3 times. The 12 forms (or aspects) are: — 1) — "This is Phenomenal Existence". 2) — "This is its cause." 3) — "This is the Extinction" (of Phenomenal Existence). 4) — "This is the Path leading to this Extinction." [78 a.] 5) "Phenomenal Existence is to be fully cognized." 6) — "Its cause is to be removed." 7) — "Extinction is to be realized." 8) — "The Path is to be made an object of Concentration." 9) — "Phenomenal Existence has been fully cognized." 10) — "Its cause has been removed." 11) — "Extinction is realized." 12) — "The Path has been made an object of Concentration³¹⁴." The "Swinging" of the Wheel means introducing it or making it intelligible to the mind of another person. The aim attained (by this swinging) was as follows: — At the first recurrence, the Path of Illumination was realized in (the mind of) Kauṇḍinya and the numerous gods. At the second — Kauṇḍinya attained Arhatship and the Path of Illumination likewise became originated in (the minds of) the other 4 disciples. Finally, at the 3^d swinging these 4 likewise became Arhats. This was the direct aim (attained). The indirect, or the special aim was: — To cause the converts, to abstain from views maintaining the reality of the Individual³¹⁵ (as an independent whole) and, thereafter, to make them partake of the 4 Results of saintliness. —

As concerns the Teaching of the Intermediate Period³¹⁶, "the Wheel of the Doctrine of Non-substantiality", — the place (where it was delivered) was the mountain Grdhrakūṭa³¹⁷. The duration of time was, according to Tho-lo³¹⁸ 30 years, according to Chim-pa — 27 years, according to Chag — 31 years, and according to others — 12 years. The hearers were 1250 or 5000 monks, nuns, and male³¹⁹ and female³²⁰ devotees of the laity and a multitude of myriads of Bodhisattvas. The Doctrine is that of Non-substantiality, that which is contained in the *Prajñāpāramitā* and the

³¹³ *chos-kyi rnam-grāṁs* = *dharmaparyāya*.

³¹⁴ Cf. M. Vyutp. § 64. ³¹⁵ *gañ-zag* = *pudgala*.

³¹⁶ *madhya-cakra*. ³¹⁷ Bya-rgod-phuñ-po.

³¹⁸ Khro-lo. ³¹⁹ *dge-bśñen* = *upāsaka*.

³²⁰ *dge-bśñen-ma* = *upāsikā*.

Scripture of the Intermediate Period. According to Dharmamitra³²¹, the *Prajñāpāramitā* contains a 2 fold subject-matter, viz. the essence of the Doctrine and the process of intuition (of the Truth)³²². The first is exposed in the *Prajñā-hṛdaya*³²³ etc. These discourses demonstrate the Absolute Truth, i. e. the Non-substantiality (and Relativity) of all the elements of existence and the 3 Media of Deliverance³²⁴. The second is exposed in (the following Sūtras): — The most detailed of all is the *Çatasāhasrikā*³²⁵, the most detailed of the discourses of intermediate compass, — the *Pañcaviṃśatisāhasrikā*³²⁶, the intermediate of the intermediate, — the *Aṣṭādaśasāhasrikā*³²⁷, the most abridged of the intermediate, — the *Daśasāhasrikā*³²⁸, the most detailed of the abridged Sūtras, — i. e. the *Aṣṭasāhasrikā*³²⁹ and the most abridged of the abridged, [78 b.] — the *Ratna-guṇa-saṁcaya*³³⁰. These all have the same subject-matter which is the Teaching about the 8 forms of intuition (on the Path)³³¹. There is a difference only in the verbal part, the latter being either diffused or abridged. So is it said in the commentary on the verse: —

There is only a difference in the varieties of exposition,
The abridged, etc.

The first 5 have been expounded simultaneously. Indeed, the inquirers³³² are the same in all these Sūtras. Moreover in the part concerning the methods of purification of the Sphere of Buddhahood³³³, the prophecy granted to the goddess of the Ganges is everywhere the same. This latter fact is a decisive argument, for

³²¹ Prasphuṭapadā, Tg. MDO. VIII.

³²² *mñon-rtogs* = *abhisamaya*.

³²³ Çer-sñiñ (Çes-rab-sñiñ-po), Kg. RGYUD. XII.

³²⁴ *rnam-thar-sgo-gsum* = *trīṇi vimokṣa-mukhāni*. M. Vyutp. § 73.

³²⁵ Stoñ-phrag-brgya-pa.

³²⁶ Ñi-khri-lña-stoñ-pa. Is likewise known by the abridged title Ñi-Khri.

³²⁷ Khri-brgyad-stoñ-pa.

³²⁸ Çes-rab-khri-pa.

³²⁹ Brgyad-stoñ-pa.

³³⁰ Yon-tan-rin-po-che-sdud-pa. According to Tsoñ-kha-pa's Gser-phreñ this classification is not correct. The Saṁcaya cannot be regarded as an independent Sūtra, the most abridged of all, since it represents the 84th chapter of the Aṣṭādaśa-sāhasrikā (Gser-phreñ, Labrañ edition, I, 7 a. 4, 5).

³³¹ I. e. the 8 principal subjects of the Abhisamayālaṁkāra. Cf. vol. I. page 51, notes 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515).

³³² *žu-ba-po*, i. e. Subhūti, Çāriputra, Ānanda, etc.

³³³ *Žiñ-dag-sbyor-ba* = *kṣetra-çuddhi-prayoga*, Abhisamayālaṁkāra IV. 61. The History of Buddhism in India and Tibet

it is not proper that one and the same Buddha should foretell the attainment of Enlightenment by one and the same person again and again. But, may it be said, this disagrees with the fact, that several prophecies had been delivered with regard to Nāgārjuna. (To this we answer): — These prophecies were each of a different character. In some it was said that he would be the elucidator of the Doctrine, in others — that he would attain Buddhahood, etc. But the prophecy granted to the goddess of the Ganges is (only) that of future Buddhahood and is everywhere the same.

Now (may it likewise be said), in the introductory chapters³³⁴) it has been said that the hearers were half a hundred and thirteen, and afterwards we have it stated that their number was 5000. — This is contradictory. — (To this we say): — There is a difference here, viz. (in the first case) we have an enumeration of the different congregations, (and in the second) — of the individuals that were present.

In the *Catasāhasrikā* the chapter containing the questions of Maitreya³³⁵), that on Eternity, that which contains the sermon delivered to Dharmodgata, and the summary at the end — these 4 are absent; they have not been brought by Nāgārjuna from the realm of the Nāgas.

It has moreover been said: — Although it (the *Prajñāpāramitā*) has been delivered in one way, it has been differently understood in many different forms. Or, to speak otherwise, the Word is one and it has been communicated in one form, but it can be understood in different forms, so that everyone can apprehend it, (being convinced): — This is intended for me. Accordingly, in conformity with one's own faculty of understanding which can be weak, inter-

³³⁴) *gleñ-gāi* = *nidāna*.

³³⁵) This passage is noteworthy, since just this chapter containing the questions of Maitreya is evidently a later production, as it contains the teaching about the 3 aspects of Reality in accordance with the standpoint of the Yogācāra school. (*kalpitam rūpam* = *parikalpita-lakṣaṇa*, *vikalpita rūpam* = *paratantra-lakṣaṇa* and *dharmatā-rūpam* = *pariniṣpanna-lakṣaṇa*). Cf. Haribhadra's *Abhisamayālaṃkāra*, MS. Minaev, 41 b. 14. — 42 a. 1. — *kalpitam rūpam grāhya-grāhaka-ākāreṇa kalpitatvāt / vikalpita rūpam abhūta-parikalpanena jñānam eva tathā-pratibhāsa iti vikalpita-tvāt / dharmatā-rūpam tattvato rūpam eva śūnyatā-rūpeṇa pariniṣpannatvāt* // This subject is discussed in detail in Tsoñ-kha-pa's *Legs-bḥad-sñin-po*, where it is directly said, that this part of the *Pañcaviṃśatisāhasrikā* is considered by some to contain the teaching of Yogācāra-vijñānavāda.

mediate and acute, one is made to understand (the Doctrine) in 3 ways — viz. as detailed, intermediate and abridged. So have the compilers written it down. They could not have rehearsed it in such a manner themselves (without any divine assistance). There is however no defect here, for this is a miracle produced by the blessing of the Buddha himself. [79 a.]

This is affirmed by the teacher Trilakṣa (Sthirapāla), as say the translators Tho-phu³³⁶) and Chag. As concerns the *Saṃcaya*, we read in the commentary thereon³³⁷), that it had been subsequently delivered in the dialect of Magadha, in order to give satisfaction to the 4 varieties of hearers.

The aim of the Teaching was to cause all those who had adhered to false views to abstain from these and, subsequently, to direct them to the unique passage (to Salvation)³³⁸) — the Doctrine of Non-substantiality (and Relativity) and of Monism³³⁹). It is said in the *Lalita-vistara*³⁴⁰):

(The Buddha) has turned the Wheel of the Doctrine, —
That of Monism and Relativity, (the Teaching)
That there is no substance and no plurality,
That nothing (really) appears and disappears anew,
And that nothing (really) increases or becomes diminished.

The fact that these precepts represent the Scripture of the intermediate period is indicated in the *Prajñā-pāramitā* itself as follows: — And there arose the sound of the murmur of the gods in the skies: O! in Jambudvīpa the second swinging of the Wheel of the Doctrine can be witnessed. The 3^d Wheel of the Doctrine is that which ascertains the essence of the Absolute Reality³⁴¹). The

³³⁶) Khro-phu. His name is Jam-pai-pal (Byams-paḥi-dpal). Cf. below.

³³⁷) Tg. MDO VII.

³³⁸) *bgrod-pa-gcig-pa* = *ekāyana*.

³³⁹) *tshul-gcig-pa* = *eka-naya*. Cf. *Abhisamayālaṃkāra*, I. 62 — *saṃatai'ka-naya-jñātā*.

³⁴⁰) 436. 11, 12. The version of Lefmann's edition is different — *anālayam niṣprapañcam anutpādam asaṃbhavam / viviktaṃ prakṛti-śūnyam dharmacakraṃ pravartitam* //

³⁴¹) *don-dam rnam-par-ies-paḥi hkhlor-lo*. This is the name given by the Chinese commentary on the *Saṃdhinirmocana-sūtra* of Wen-tshig. (Tg. MDO. XXXIX, XL, and XLI. According to the Tib. tradition it is usually called *legs-par-rnam-par-phyee-ba-dañ-ldan-paḥi hkhlor-lo* (*legs-phyeyi chos-hkhlor*) — the Teaching containing a perfect and correct discrimination (of that which does and does not exist as an Ultimate Reality.) Cf. *Saṃdhinirmocana-sūtra* quoted below and Tsoñ-kha-pa's *Legs-bḥad-sñin-po*, Tsañ edition, 13 a. 4–5.

place where it was delivered was Malaya or Vaiçali³⁴²), etc. It is said that the circle of hearers consisted of those devoted to the (3) different Vehicles, but it would be correct if we would take this to mean: "The Bodhisattvas who have entered all the different Vehicles." As concerns the time (during which it was exposed) — Tho-lo says that it was 12 years, — Chim-pa — 10 years, Chag — 7 or 9 years and others — 26 or 27 years. I myself have not seen any authoritative source for these (different varieties) of counting the time.

The Doctrine is that which definitely demonstrates the Absolute Reality. At first, the earliest Teaching completely excluded the nihilistic point of view (i. e. everything, all the elements, were considered to be real in themselves). Owing to this an (incorrect) realistic imputation could easily grow predominant. With a view to this (the Buddha) has expounded the intermediate Teaching in which a negativistic standpoint predominates. But this (Scripture of the latest period) introduces different (degrees of Reality) demonstrating (the elements in their) imputed aspect³⁴³) as totally non-existing³⁴⁴), (the elements in) the causally dependent aspect³⁴⁵) as having a real existence from the standpoint of the Empirical Reality³⁴⁶), and the 2 forms of the Ultimate Aspect^{346 a}), as representing the Absolute Reality. [79 b.] It is accordingly that which puts an end to the 2 extreme points of view, contains the direct meaning³⁴⁷) and cannot be an object of dispute. On the contrary, the other 2 (Swingings of the Wheel of the Doctrine)

³⁴²) Yañs-pa-can.

³⁴³) *kun-tu-brtags-paḥi mtshan-ñid (kun-brtags) = parikalpita-lakṣaṇa.*

³⁴⁴) Tsoñ-kha-pa and his school object to this statement of Bu-ton that the imputed aspect is totally non-existing.

³⁴⁵) *gžan-dbañ-gi mtshan-ñid (gžan-dbañ) = paratantra-lakṣaṇa.*

³⁴⁶) *kun-rdzob = saṃvṛti.*

^{346a}) *yoñs-su-grub-paḥi-mtshan-ñid (yoñs-grub) = pariniṣpanna-lakṣaṇa.*

The 2 forms of this aspect are: 1. The Absolute as the pure and non-illusionary consciousness, as for instance the concentrated transcendental wisdom of the Mahāyānist Saint perceiving the separate unreality of the elements, and 2. the Absolute as the true and unalterable essence of existence, Cf. Khai-dub (Mkhas-grub), Stoñ-thun-bskal-bzañ-mig-hbyed, Vol. I of Khai-dub's works, Tsañ edition 31 a. 1—2. — *dbye-na theg-chen-hphags-paḥi chos-kyi-bdag-med rtogs-paḥi mñam-bžag-ye-ces-lta-bu phyin-ci-ma-log-paḥi yoñs-grub (= dharma-nairātmya-bodhaka-samāhita-jñāna-bhūta-aviparīta-pariniṣpanna) dañ chos-ñid hgyur-med yoñs-grub (= avikāra-dharmatā-bhūta-pariniṣpanna) gñis-te.*

³⁴⁷) *ñes-don = nūṛtha.*

are of conventional meaning and can be made an object of controversy. This is the opinion of the Vijñānavādins. It is said in the *Samdhinirmocana-sūtra*³⁴⁸): — Thereafter Paramārthasamudgata³⁴⁹) addressed the Buddha as follows: — The Lord has first of all, in the country of Benares, at Ṛṣipatana³⁵⁰), in the grove of the antelopes³⁵¹), swung the Wheel of the Doctrine, demonstrating the 4 Truths of the Saint to those who had entered the Vehicle of the Črāvakas. It was a marvellous and wonderful Teaching, similar to which none in this world, whether gods or men, had expounded before. But nevertheless, this Wheel of the Doctrine, swung by the Lord, (was not the highest form of the Teaching, expounded by him). There were (other Teachings to follow) that were more sublime than it³⁵²). (This earliest Teaching of the Buddha) left an opportunity for controversy, was of conventional meaning³⁵³) and an object of dispute³⁵⁴).

Thereupon the Lord, having begun with (the Teaching that) all the elements are devoid of a real essence of their own³⁵⁵), that they neither become originated³⁵⁶) nor disappear³⁵⁷), that they are quiescent from the outset³⁵⁸) and by their very nature merged in Nirvāṇa³⁵⁹), has swung the second Wheel of the Doctrine for the sake of those who had entered the Great Vehicle³⁶⁰), — (the Teaching) marvellous and wonderful as it demonstrates the principle of Non-substantiality (and Relativity). But, as regards this Wheel of the Doctrine swung by the Lord, there are likewise other Teachings superior (to it). It is of conventional meaning, presents an opportunity (for controversy) and can be an object of dispute.

Finally, the Lord has (again) started with the Teaching about

³⁴⁸) Kg. MDO. V. 24 b. 5—25 a. 4.

³⁴⁹) Don-dam-yañ-dag-hphags.

³⁵⁰) Drañ-sroñ-ltuñ-ba (or lhuñ-ba).

³⁵¹) Ri-dvags-kyi-nags = Mrgadāva.

³⁵²) *bla-na-mchis-pa.* Is explained by Wen-tshig as: "their being other teachings superior to it" and by Tsoñ-kha-pa "as their being other teachings higher than it, viz. those of direct meaning". Legs-bçad-sñiñ-po 12 a. 1—3.)

³⁵³) *drañ-don = neyārtha.*

³⁵⁴) *rtod-paḥi-gži = vivāda-adhikaraṇa.*

³⁵⁵) *ño-bo-ñid-ma-mchis-pa = niḥsvabhāvatā.*

³⁵⁶) *skye-ba-ma-mchis-pa = anutpanna.*

³⁵⁷) *hgag-pa-ma-mchis-pa = aniruddha.*

³⁵⁸) *gzod-ma-nas-ñi-ba = ādi-çānta.*

³⁵⁹) *rañ-bžin-gyis-yoñs-su-mya-ñan-las-ḥdas-pa = prakṛti-parinirvṛtta.*

³⁶⁰) *theg-pa-chen-po-la yañ-dag-par-ḥugs-pa = mahāyāna-saṃprasthita.*

the absence of a real essence with the elements and (the demonstration of the latter) as neither becoming originated, nor disappearing, as quiescent from the outset [80 a.] and as being, by their very nature, merged in Nirvāṇa. He has then swung the third Wheel of the Doctrine for the adherents of all (the 3) Vehicles, (the Teaching) miraculous and wonderful, as it gives a perfect discrimination (of that which is and is not an ultimate reality). And this swinging of the Wheel of the Doctrine by the Lord is to be regarded as unsurpassable, it gives no opportunity (for ascribing faults), is of direct meaning and cannot be an object of dispute. —

The aim of this (Teaching) was to remove the 2 extreme imputations³⁶¹) and to cause (the converts) to adopt the middle way³⁶²).

According to the Mādhyamikas, the earliest and the latest Scripture are both conventional³⁶³), and (only) the intermediate contains the direct meaning. The passage (of the *Samdhinirmocana-sūtra*) just quoted, is explained (by them) as being itself of conventional meaning. Some say that (the Teaching of the latest period) is that which removes the contradiction between the first 2 divisions of Scripture. (These authorities) try to establish this on the foundation of the *Lankāvatāra* where it is said³⁶⁴): —

From the Empirical Standpoint everything exists,
But from that of the Absolute there is no (separate) reality;
Therefore, existence and non-existence with regard to one
and the same thing,

Must not be regarded as a mutual contradiction. —

So they say, (but we answer to this): — The text quoted expresses the point of view of the Mādhyamikas, but not that of the Vijñānavādins³⁶⁵). The latter are not of the opinion that something which does exist, could at the same time be unreal as an ultimate reality³⁶⁶).

³⁶¹) Realism or Eternalism (*rtag-mthaḥ* = *çārvata-anta*) and Nihilism or Materialism (*chad-mthaḥ* = *uccheda-anta*).

³⁶²) *dbu-maḥi-lam* = *madhyama-pratipad*.

³⁶³) *dgoñs-pa-can* = *ābhīprāyika*. ³⁶⁴) Ed. Bunyiu Nanjio, p. 280.

³⁶⁵) According to the Vijñānavādins, the existence of ultimate realities (*paramārthasat*) is admitted.

³⁶⁶) According to the Vijñānavādins, there is a distinction to be made between “an ultimate separate reality” (*paramārtha-sat*) which is identical with the idea of the separate element in the causally dependent aspect (*paratantra*), and the Absolute (*paramārtha-satya*) which is the same as *pariniṣpanna-lakṣaṇa*. Khai-ḍub, Stoñ-thun, 19 a. 2.

And the Vijñānavāda is not capable of removing the contradiction between the views of the Hinayānists and those of the Mādhyamikas. Some call the earlier Scripture “the Wheel of the Doctrine demonstrating the 4 Truths of the Saint”, that of the second period — “the Wheel of the Doctrine demonstrating the 2 Truths”³⁶⁷), and that of the third — “the Wheel of the Doctrine in which the distinction of the Truths has not been made at all”. (This is incorrect,) since we have undeniable proofs that in this latest division of Scripture the 4 or the 2 Truths have been frequently mentioned.

According to some, the latest Scripture is “that of the different Vehicles”, since it demonstrates different Teachings that relate to the (3) Vehicles, as it is said in the *Lalita-vistara*³⁶⁸): —

In different forms, (demonstrating) the resemblance
With an illusion, a mirage, a dream,
With the moon's reflection in the water, and the echo,
The Lord has swung the Wheel of the Doctrine. — [80 b.]

The Paṇḍit Parahitabhadra³⁶⁹) says: — He has swung the Wheel of the Doctrine, the Teaching about the attainment of a blissful existence for those deprived of the element of (the saintly) lineage³⁷⁰). — And, according to Sajjana: — It is the Wheel of the Doctrine of the Pratyekabuddhas demonstrated to the members of that spiritual family. (As concerns this last statement), Chag says that it is contradictory to that which is said about the 3 Wheels of the Doctrine (i. e. that the first is intended for the Hinayānists, the second for the Mahāyānists, and the third — for the adherents of all the Vehicles). This is quite clear, since no such separate Code (of the Pratyekabuddhas) exists³⁷¹).

Now, (in reality) the Lord, having extirpated the force which calls forth speech³⁷²), has attained Enlightenment in perfect silence and then, up to the time of his attaining Nirvāṇa, has not uttered a single word. But, in accordance with the thoughts (and the

³⁶⁷) I. e. the Empirical (*saṃvṛti*) and the Absolute (*paramārtha*) reality.

³⁶⁸) 436. 15, 16. — *māyā-marici svapnaṃ ca dakacandra* (sic) *pratiṣrutkā / yathā'te tathā tac cakram loka-nāthena vartitam //*

³⁶⁹) Gzan-phan-bzan-po.

³⁷⁰) *rags-med-pa* = *agotraka*.

³⁷¹) Cf. *Sūtrālamkāra*, XI. 1. and commentary — *hinayāna-agrayāna-bhedena dvayaṃ bhavati çrāvaka-piṭakam bodhisattva-piṭakam ca*.

³⁷²) *ñag kun-nas-sloñ-baḥi bag-chags* = *vāk-samutthāna-vāsanā*.

needs) of the living beings, he appears as if teaching (the Doctrine) in various forms³⁷³), as it is said³⁷⁴): —

A cymbal on a magic circle
Issues its sounds, being agitated by the wind,
And although there is nothing with which it is beaten,
Its sound is nevertheless heard.
Similar is the voice of the Buddha which arises,
Being called forth by the thoughts of the living beings,
And owing to their previous virtuous deeds.
But the Buddha (himself) has no constructive thought
(By which his words could be conditioned).

The voice of the Buddha is therefore something inconceivable for our mind.

The Teacher has thus perceived the living beings subjected to suffering, being obscured by the pellicule³⁷⁵) of ignorance, tied by the knot of egocentric views, suppressed by the mountain of pride, consumed by the fire of desire, wounded by the weapons of hatred, cast into the wilderness of Saṃsāra, and unable to cross the streams of birth, old age, illness, and death. And, in order to deliver them (from this suffering), from between his teeth resembling a beautiful sonant conch-shell, he stretched forth his tongue endowed with miraculous power, ejected his voice, similar to that of Brahma, and thus expounded the whole of the Doctrine.

12. [The Buddha's Attainment of Nirvāṇa³⁷⁶].

Thereafter we have (the last) act (of the Buddha), viz. his departure into Nirvāṇa. — The Lord addressed Ānanda in order that the latter should pray him not to depart into Nirvāṇa. [81 a.] He said: — O Ānanda, he, who on the foundation of the 4 miraculous powers³⁷⁷) has repeatedly practised profound meditation, can, if

³⁷³) Cf. Conception of Buddhist Nirvāṇa, p. 210. (quotation of the Tathāgata-guhya in the XXV. Chapter of the Mādhy. vṛtti).

³⁷⁴) The same idea is frequently expressed in the Uttaratantra. Cf. my translation, chapter IV. "The Acts of the Buddha."

³⁷⁵) *liñ-tog* = *kāca*.

³⁷⁶) The narrative of the Buddha's attainment of Nirvāṇa and the following, i. e. the burial of the Buddha, the first and the second council is taken from the Vinaya-kṣudraka, Kg. HDUL. XI.

³⁷⁷) *rdzu-ḥphrul-gyi rkañ-pa bñi* = *catvāra ṛddhi-pādāḥ*.

he wishes, remain living for an aeon or even longer than that³⁷⁸). The Buddha has taken recourse to the 4 miraculous powers and has practised meditation again and again. Therefore, if the Buddha wishes, he can live during an aeon and longer than that. So he spoke to him twice and thrice, but Ānanda, being obscured by Māra, did not answer a word³⁷⁹). Then Māra the Evil One (in his turn) prayed (the Buddha) to pass away into Nirvāṇa, and the Buddha consented, saying that he would do so after 3 months³⁸⁰). Thereupon the Buddha mastered the force of life and cut away the force of life-time³⁸¹). And, the moment he did this, the earth trembled, the stars fell down, in the 10 quarters of the sky there burst forth flames, and the gods residing in the atmospherical space, beat their drums³⁸²). (Ānanda) asked the cause of this and the Buddha explained to him the 8 causes owing to which the earth trembled etc.³⁸³) And Ānanda then understood, that the Lord had cut away the force of life-time and prayed him (to continue to live), but the Buddha did not consent³⁸⁴). Thereafter, having delivered his instructions to the congregation of Capala³⁸⁵), the Lord departed in the direction of Vaiṇalī. And, looking all the while to the right, he finally reached the grove of Āmṇapa trees situated to the north of the villages of Vriji. There he spoke to the monks about the 3 disciplines, and after that he gradually came to another Āmṇapa grove to the north of the village of Upabhoga. And, having demonstrated (to the monks) that the trembling of the earth was the sign, that he would soon pass away into Nirvāṇa, he said: — If (the Teaching which you intend to follow) is contained in the Sūtras, is to be found in the Vinaya and is not in conflict with the true state of things, you are to accept it as (my) Doctrine. If this is not the case, then (a teaching of some other kind) is not to be accepted³⁸⁶). [81. b.]

³⁷⁸) *kalpañ kalpāvaṇeṣaṃ ca. (bskal-pa-ḥam bskal-ba-las lhag-gi bar-du)*. Cf. Yaçomitra, Abhidharmakośa-vyākhyā, BB. II. 19. 15.

³⁷⁹) Vin.-kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 247 a. 5—6.

³⁸⁰) Ibid. 248 b. 1—249 a. 3.

³⁸¹) Ibid. 249 a. 4—5. Cf. Yaçomitra, Abhidharmakośa-vyākhyā BB. II. 20. 3, 4. — *jīvitā-saṃskārān adhiṣṭhāya (ñtsho-baḥi-ḥdu-byed byin-gyis brlabs-nas) āyuh-saṃskārān utsṛjyāvan /*

³⁸²) Vin.-kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 249 a. 6.

³⁸³) Ibid. 249 b. 1—250 a. 7. ³⁸⁴) Ibid. 250 a. 7—b. 6.

³⁸⁵) Xyl. *rtsa-ba-liḥi dge-ḥdun*. The Kg. has *tsa-pa-laḥi*.

³⁸⁶) Vin.-kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 250 b. 6—256 a. 6.

Thereafter the Buddha accepted his last alms from Cunda, the son of a blacksmith in the village of Pāpā and, having preached the Doctrine, departed to Kuṣanagara³⁸⁷). (On the way) he laid himself to rest between Pāpā³⁸⁸) and the river Vasumatī³⁸⁹). Ānanda got some muddy water from the stream Kakuta and brought it (to the Buddha). The latter washed his mouth and feet and, having refreshed himself, rose up³⁹⁰). From Paṇḍaka³⁹¹) who belonged to a great community of the Mallas and who had been converted by the Buddha, the Lord accepted 2 new pieces of cloth of the colour of gold. And, as he put them on, having cut off the fringes, his body shone brilliantly. Being asked the cause of this, he replied: — The reason is, that I am to attain Nirvāṇa this evening³⁹²). Then he washed himself in the river Vasumatī³⁹³) and, as a means of removing the grief of Cunda, said that he whose alms (the Buddha accepts) will reap merit equal to that of attaining Buddhahood and Nirvāṇa³⁹⁴). Ānanda then asked him how to pacify desire, and he said: — One must wash it away with the rain of moral purity and then arouse aversion (to this worldly life). Thereafter he gave his instructions to Kātyāyana how to deliver the precepts of the Doctrine. Then, on the way to Kuṣanagara, he grew tired and lay down. Ānanda then spoke to him about the component parts of Enlightenment³⁹⁵), whereupon the Buddha rose up, went to Kuṣanagara and there, in the neighbourhood of the dwellings of the Mallas, he caused a seat to be erected betwixt two Sāla-trees³⁹⁶). And, with his back to the north, he bent down on the right side, crossed his legs and lay down, having given himself up to the thoughts about the illumination³⁹⁷) (of the living beings) and to intense concentration, and having become possessed of the idea that he was now to pass away into Nirvāṇa³⁹⁸). And, as Ānanda, having grasped the seat, wept and lamented, (that he was to be separated from the Teacher), the latter appeased his grief by

³⁸⁷) Groñ-khyer Rtsva-can. Ibid. 256 a. 6—258 a. 4.

³⁸⁸) Sdig-pa-can.

³⁸⁹) Dbyig-lan. Ibid. 258 a. 4. sqq.

³⁹⁰) Ibid. 258 b. 1—6.

³⁹¹) Gyuñ-po.

³⁹²) Ibid. 260 b. 5—261 a. 2. ³⁹³) Ibid. 261 a. 2—4.

³⁹⁴) Ibid. 261 a. 6—7. ³⁹⁵) Ibid. 262 a. 2, 3. sqq.

³⁹⁶) Ibid. 262 b. 7—263 a. 1.

³⁹⁷) *snan-baḥi ḥdu-ḥes = āloka-saṁjñā*.

³⁹⁸) Ibid. 263 a. 5.

speaking of the 4 miraculous attributes (with which Ānanda was to become endowed 'n future)³⁹⁹). [82 a.] Ānanda then asked him the reason why he was to attain Nirvāṇa here in this place⁴⁰⁰). The Buddha replied: — Six universal monarchs, Mahāsudarṣana⁴⁰¹) and the rest have passed away here, and with the Buddha, there will be altogether seven⁴⁰²). — At that moment the gods were unable to sustain the splendour of (the Buddha), the anchorite endowed with the special marks (of the super-being) and fled⁴⁰³). Ānanda then asked: — How are thy relics to be worshipped? — The Buddha replied: — Like those of a universal monarch. The body is to be wrapped in a cloth of cotton-wool and covered with 500 pieces of cloth. It is to be put into an iron coffin filled with oil. (This coffin) is to be closed with 2 iron lids, and (the whole) must be burnt on a pile of fragrant wood. The fire is to be quenched with milk, and the bones are to be put into a golden urn. Then, at the meeting-place of 4 roads, a monument is to be erected, and after that one must worship and feast⁴⁰⁴). Thereafter it was made known to the Mallas of Kuṣanagara that the Buddha was to pass away that evening, and the Mallas accordingly came into the presence of the Lord. The latter preached the Doctrine to them, and Ānanda prescribed for them the obeisances that are to be kept by the devotees of the laity⁴⁰⁵).

Then there remained for the Teacher two disciples whom he had to convert personally, — Subhadra⁴⁰⁶) and Sunanda⁴⁰⁷). In order to subdue the latter, the Lord took a lute with 1000 strings and a frame of Vaiḍūrya stone. Then, having transformed himself into a Gandharva, he appeared before the doors of Sunanda and proposed a match in the skill of music. He gradually cut off all the strings with the exception of one, but the sound nevertheless remained the same. Finally, the Buddha cut off the single string that remained, likewise. But in the empty space the sound continued to ring as before. The pride of Sunanda was thus humiliated [82 b.] and he was greatly astonished. The Teacher then appeared in his true form, and Sunanda, full of faith, made his salutations and sat down in order to hear the Teaching. And, as the Lord

³⁹⁹) Ibid. 264 a. 3—b. 1. sqq.

⁴⁰⁰) Ibid. 264 b. 5—6.

⁴⁰¹) Legs-mthoñ-chen-po.

⁴⁰²) Ibid. 264 b. 7—274 a. 7.

⁴⁰³) Ibid. 275 b. 4, 5.

⁴⁰⁴) Ibid. 275 b. 5—276 a. 3.

⁴⁰⁵) *dge-bśñen-gyi sdom-pa = upāsaka-saṁvara*.

⁴⁰⁶) Rab-bzañ.

⁴⁰⁷) Rab-dgañ.

preached the Doctrine to him, Sunanda came to the intuition of the Truth⁴⁰⁸). At that time there was in Kuṣanagara a Parivrājaka, named Subhadra, who, as it was said, had attained the state of an Arhat. This one heard that on the bank of the Mandakini⁴⁰⁹) pond the flowers of the Udumbara garden had withered and that the cause of this was that the Buddha was about to pass away into Nirvāṇa. Thinking that it was the time to get his doubts cleared, he went to Ānanda and asked 5 times, but was not admitted (into the presence of the Buddha). The Teacher, as he knew about this, said: — This is the last time that I have to speak with a heretic. Therefore, let him come⁴¹⁰). And, after he had spoken many a word to the delight of Subhadra, he said; — O Subhadra, when I attained the age of 29 years, I became a monk and then, for one-and-fifty years, have practised every possible virtue. O Subhadra, the religious discipline in which the 8-membered Path of a Saint⁴¹¹) is wanting, does not bring about the 4 results attained by an ascetic⁴¹²). But if the eight-fold Path does exist, then these results are realized. Apart from this (eight-fold Path) there can be no real attainment of saintliness. — And as he spoke thus (Subhadra) came to perceive the Truth, became ordained by being addressed with the summons: — Come here!⁴¹³), and attained Arhatship. And then, thinking that he ought not to witness the Teacher's departure, he blessed the 5 sacred places and passed away into Nirvāṇa himself⁴¹⁴).

Thereafter the Teacher delivered the following precepts: — One must not introduce into the religious order the heretics, with the exception of the Ājīvikas and⁴¹⁵) †. The 12 classes of sacred texts are to be recited for the sake of bringing about happiness and welfare of the fourfold congregation. The teacher must be subjected to the rules of the Prātimokṣa. The old must keep together the young by providing for them necessities of life. The young must not call the elders by name. To those who are possessed of

⁴⁰⁸) Vin.-kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 278 a. 5—279 b. 2. sqq.

⁴⁰⁹) Dal-hbab.

⁴¹⁰) Vin.-kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 279 a. 6—280 a. 5.

⁴¹¹) *hpags-paḥi-lam-yan-lag-brgyad* = *ārya-aṣṭāṅga-mārga*.

⁴¹²) *dge-sbyon-gi hbras-bu* = *śramaṇa-phala*. Cf. M. Vyutp. § 46.

⁴¹³) *tshur-gog-gis bsñen-par-rdzogs-pa* = *ehitvena-upasampannaḥ*.

⁴¹⁴) Vin.-kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 280 a. 5—282 b. 1.

⁴¹⁵) *Me-pa ral-pa-can* = *Agnijaṭilas* (?).

faith one must speak about the following 4 subjects, viz. the apparition of the Buddha in this world, his attainment of Enlightenment, [83 a.] his teaching of the Doctrine, and his departure into Nirvāṇa⁴¹⁶). — O monks, if you have doubt as regards the 3 Jewels and the 4 Truths, then ask now!⁴¹⁷) Then he took off the garment that covered the upper part of his body and said: — O monks, it is very difficult to meet with the apparition of the Buddha. Perceive therefore now the body of the Buddha⁴¹⁸). O monks, henceforth I shall speak no more: — This is the last word of the Buddha — all the elements of existence, that are caused and conditioned are liable to destruction⁴¹⁹). — And, having uttered this, he became absorbed in the 4 degrees of trance (of the ethereal sphere)⁴²⁰), the 4 degrees of the immaterial sphere⁴²¹), and the Cessation-Trance⁴²²) in the direct and the reverse order⁴²³). After that he again entered the (first 4) degrees of trance. And then, after attaining the culminating point (of the last of these)⁴²⁴), he passed away into Nirvāṇa.

The teacher Ālāpālita⁴²⁵), in his commentary on the Vinaya-kṣudraka, gives the following explanation which agrees with the point of view of the Kashmirian (Vaibhāṣikas): — After the (attainment of) the culminating point (in the 4th degree of trance), one comes to a neutral⁴²⁶) state of the mind, which is followed by Nirvāṇa. This neutral state, being near to the culminating point before said, is called itself “the culminating point”.

Immediately after (the Lord had passed away into Nirvāṇa) the earth trembled, the stars fell down, from the 10 quarters of the sky there burst forth flames and sounds of celestial music were heard⁴²⁷).

⁴¹⁶) Vin.-kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 287 b. 2—289 a. 2.

⁴¹⁷) Ibid. 289 a. 3 sqq. ⁴¹⁸) Ibid. 289 b. 1, 2.

⁴¹⁹) Ibid. 289 b. 2—290 a. 5.

⁴²⁰) *bsam-gtan-bḥi* = *catvāri dhyānāni*.

⁴²¹) *gzugs-med-bḥi* = *catvāra ārupya-samāpattayaḥ*.

⁴²²) *hgog-sñoms* (i. e. *hgog-paḥi sñoms-par hjug-pa*) = *nirodha-samāpatti*.

⁴²³) *lugs-hbyuñ-lugs-zlog* = *anuloma-viloma*.

⁴²⁴) *rab-mthaḥ*. ⁴²⁵) Tshul-khrims bskyans.

⁴²⁶) *luñ-ma-bstan-pa* = *avyākṛta*.

⁴²⁷) Vin.-kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 290 a. 5, 6.

[The Burial of the Buddha.]

At that time Mahākācyapa⁴²⁸) was abiding in Rājagṛha⁴²⁹). Having come to know that the Teacher had passed away, he thought: — Such is the nature of all the Phenomenal Elements. If the king Ajātaśatru hears this, he shall certainly die. Therefore one must find a means (of preventing this). — Accordingly, he said to the Brāhmaṇa Varṣaka⁴³⁰): — Go thou to the garden without delay and draw pictures (illustrating the acts of the Buddha), — how he became conceived in the womb, how he attained Enlightenment, how he swung the Wheel of the Doctrine, how he demonstrated his miraculous apparitions⁴³¹) at Āṣṭvāstī [83 b.], how he descended from the abode of the gods at Keçavati and how he went to take his last rest at Kuçanagara⁴³²). Then place 7 wooden troughs filled with fresh butter and one — the eighth, — with finest sandal wood. And then gradually demonstrate (to the king the events in Buddha's life). Thereafter, when the king faints, thou must put him into the 7 troughs with fresh butter and the eighth with sandal wood and make him recover. — Varṣaka acted according to these instructions and gradually showed to the king (the acts of the Buddha). — This, said he, — is the arrival of the Teacher at Kuçanagara to take his last sleep. — And, as the king asked: — Has the Buddha passed away? — he did not answer a word. The king fell down in a swoon, but Varṣaka made him recover according to the instructions which he had received. And, at that moment, a certain monk who had come, uttered the following verse⁴³³): —

In that grove where a pair of Sāla, —
Those most beautiful of all the trees do grow,
The Teacher has passed away into Nirvāṇa,
And we have strewed flowers in that place. —

Indra said⁴³⁴): —

Alas, the phenomenal elements are evanescent,
They are subjected to origination and destruction.
The pacification (of these elements) is the true bliss!

⁴²⁸) Ḥod-sruṅs-chen-po.

⁴²⁹) Rgyal-poḥi-khab.

⁴³⁰) Dbyar-byed. ⁴³¹) *cho-ḥphrul* = *prātihārya*.

⁴³²) Vin.-kṣudr. Kg. ḤDUL. XI. 290 a. 6—b. 6.

⁴³³) Vin.-kṣudr. Kg. ḤDUL. XI. 291 b. 1.

⁴³⁴) Ibid. 291 b. 2.

And Brahma⁴³⁵): —

This is the culmination of all the virtue,
That can be accumulated by the living beings
And can be desired for in this world.
Here an individual, higher than whom there are none,
The Buddha who has attained the (10) powers
And is possessed of divine sight, —
This Teacher has passed away into Nirvāṇa! —

Aniruddha⁴³⁶) said⁴³⁷): —

He who, with a firm and steady mind,
Has protected (the living beings)
And has attained the motionless quiescent state,
He who was endowed with the faculty of divine vision,
Has now passed away into Nirvāṇa,
Having emitted and suspended his breath! —

And at that time some of the monks were rolling on the ground in despair, some lamented loudly, others sat (in silence) tormented by sorrow, and still others were reflecting over the essence of the Doctrine⁴³⁸).

The next day [84 a.] Ānanda summoned the Mallas of Kuçanagara, who up to the 7th day made the necessary arrangements⁴³⁹). Then, on the 7th day, the wives and daughters of the Mallas spread a canopy, and the Malla youths made a bier. The gods worshipped, offering perfumes, wreaths of flowers, incense and the like. They all entered Kuçanagara by the western gate, came into the middle of the city, then went out through the eastern gate and crossed the river Vasumatī. Thereafter the Mallas prayed to make halt at a sanctuary where they deposited the ornaments of their heads. The gods in their turn strewed flowers, so that (the feet and the legs of the body) were covered up to the knees⁴⁴⁰). A certain Ājivaka, having gathered many of these flowers, went to the city of Pāpā and met with Mahākācyapa whose grief was not appeased and who had come in order to worship (the relics of the Buddha). And, as this Ājivaka related about the Teacher's attainment of Nirvāṇa, an old monk said: — O monks, you are now released from him who has said: — This you may do and this you may not.

⁴³⁵) Ibid. 291 b. 3.

⁴³⁶) Ma-ḥgags-pa.

⁴³⁷) Ibid. 291 b. 4.

⁴³⁸) Ibid. 291 b. 5—7.

⁴³⁹) Ibid. 292 b. 1. sqq.

⁴⁴⁰) Ibid. 294 b. 7—295 a. 2.

I tell you: — Do what is in your power to do and do not, what you can not. — But the gods cast a veil on his words and made them unheard (to the assembly) with the exception of Mahākāṣyapa⁴⁴¹). Then the latter summoned the congregation: — Let us go quickly in order to see the relics of the Buddha, as long as they have not been destroyed by the flames⁴⁴²).

At that time the Mallas began to perform the funeral rites, as becoming a universal monarch. They tried to set the pile on fire, but the flame did not blaze up. Aniruddha knew that this was because Kāṣyapa had not come, and said this⁴⁴³). Kāṣyapa then came, opened the coffin, took off the pieces of cloth and the cotton-wool and made his salutations to the body, as it was still untouched (by the flames)⁴⁴⁴). Thereupon Mahākāṣyapa, being the wisest and the most virtuous of the 4 great Ārāvakas, — the others being ĀjñātaKaundinya, Cunda⁴⁴⁵) and Kāṣyapa with the 10 powers⁴⁴⁶), — [84 b.] wrapped the body in new cotton-wool and in 500 new pieces of cloth, put it into the iron coffin, filled the latter with oil, covered it with 2 iron lids, and piled up the fragrant wood. And the fire then blazed forth itself⁴⁴⁷). Ananda then said⁴⁴⁸):

The Great Leader endowed with a precious body
And possessed of miraculous powers,
Has departed into the world of Brahma.
The worldly frame of the Buddha has been covered
By 500 pieces of cloth and 1000 religious garments.
By its own lustre this body, though well-wrapped,
Has become perfectly consumed;
But two of the robes have not been burned,

The most inward and the most outward, these two. — Thereupon the Mallas quenched the fire with milk, and from that milk there sprung forth 4 flowers: — a Javā⁴⁴⁹), a Pāṇḍura⁴⁵⁰), an Aṣvattha⁴⁵¹), and an Udumbara⁴⁵²). The relics were then deposited into a golden urn which they placed in the middle of the town and worshipped⁴⁵³).

⁴⁴¹) Ibid. 295 a. 2—295 b. 1. ⁴⁴²) Ibid. 295 b. 1—3.

⁴⁴³) Ibid. 295 b. 3—296 a. 3. ⁴⁴⁴) Ibid. 296 a. 3—7.

⁴⁴⁵) Skul-byed. ⁴⁴⁶) Stobs-bcuhi Ḥod-sruṅs.

⁴⁴⁷) Vin.-ksudr. Kg. ḤDUL. XI. 296 a. 7—b. 5.

⁴⁴⁸) Ibid. 296 b. 5—7. ⁴⁴⁹) gser-can. ⁴⁵⁰) ser-skyā.

⁴⁵¹) rta-don. ⁴⁵²) Vin.-ksudr. Kg. ḤDUL. XI. 296 b. 7—297 a. 1.

⁴⁵³) Ibid. 297 a. 1—3.

Thereafter the Mallas of Pāpā, having heard that the Teacher had passed away 7 days before, collected a 4 membered army and declared to the Mallas of Kuṣanagara: — This Teacher has a long time been dear to us. He has now passed away in the neighbourhood of your town. You must give us our portion of the relics, that we could erect a monument in our town, worship and feast. But if you do not give us (our part) we shall take it by force. — Do so, — replied the Mallas of Kuṣanagara⁴⁵⁴). In a similar manner the members of the Kṣatriya family Puluka of Calakalpa⁴⁵⁵), the Krodhavas of Rāvaṇa, the Brāhmaṇas of Vaiṣṇavadvīpa⁴⁵⁶), the Ākyas of Kapilavastu and the Licchavis of Vaiṣali, demanded their share⁴⁵⁷). [85 a.] Ajātaśatru of Magadha in his turn heard that all these had gone to take their part of the relics. So he likewise set out, having mounted his elephant. But, as he thought about the merits of the (deceased) Teacher, he fell down in a swoon (from grief). Thereafter, having recovered, he sent Varṣaka, having said to him: — Ask thou in my name the Mallas, whether they are unharmed and not subjected to danger, whether they are in troubles, how they live, whether they are powerful and enjoy happiness. Then tell them as follows: — The Teacher has for a long time showed his benevolence to us and has been our preceptor. At present he has passed away in the neighbourhood of your town. Therefore give us a part of his relics. We shall erect a monument at Rājagṛha, worship and feast. — Varṣaka did as he was ordered. The Mallas said in return: — We intend to do the same. — But, — said Varṣaka, — if you shall not give us our part, we are going to fight for it. — Do so, — was the answer⁴⁵⁸). The wives and children of the Mallas learned the skill of archery and, in order to encounter the 4 membered armies of their antagonists, the Mallas, their forces being likewise 4 membered, marched out⁴⁵⁹). At that time a member of the Brahmanical family of Droṇa⁴⁶⁰), knowing that if there would be a struggle, there would be mutual slaughter, — said to the Mallas of Kuṣanagara: — The Teacher, from the very beginning, was endowed with forbearance and has sung the praise of the latter. It is therefore ill-suited that you should kill

⁴⁵⁴) Ibid. 297 a. 3—b. 2.

⁴⁵⁵) Rtog-pa-gyo-ba. ⁴⁵⁶) Khyab-ḥjug-glin.

⁴⁵⁷) Vin. ksudr. Kg. ḤDUL. XI. 297 b. 2—298 a. 1.

⁴⁵⁸) Ibid. 298 a. 1—b. 6. ⁴⁵⁹) Ibid. 298 b. 6—299 a. 3.

⁴⁶⁰) Bram-zeḥi-rigs Bre-bo-dan-mñam-pa.

each other for the sake of his relics. We shall divide them into 8 parts and worship them ourselves in a golden vessel. — Do so, — said the Mallas of Kuṣanagara. Then the same was told to the Mallas of Pāpā and to all the others, up to Varṣaka. [85 b.] And they all said: — Do like that⁴⁶¹). — Accordingly, the relics were divided into 7 parts and each was given his part, beginning with the Mallas of Kuṣanagara and ending with Varṣaka. Each of these then erected a monument in their own country, worshipped and feasted⁴⁶²). The part of the relics which was given to Rāvaṇa⁴⁶³) was carried off by the Nāgas and worshipped by them. The urn in which the relics had (first) been deposited was given to the member of the Brahmanical family of Droṇa who erected a monument in his own city. The ashes of the body fell a lot to Nyagrodha⁴⁶⁴), and that youth of Brahmanical caste built a monument in the Nyagrodha country, performed sacrificial rites and made a great feast. At that time there were thus 10 monuments and, with the 4 eye-teeth of the Buddha, altogether 14 (objects of worship)⁴⁶⁵).

There were 8 parts of the relics of the Omniscient

As they were distributed by Droṇa.

Of these, — 7 became objects of worship in Jambudvīpa,

And one of the parts of the Highest Being's relics,

That of the city of Rāvaṇa, was worshipped by the king
of the Nāgas.

There remained, moreover, the 4 eye-teeth of the Highest
Being.

Of these, one tooth was worshipped in the realm of the gods,

The second, — in the delightful city of Gāndhāra⁴⁶⁶),

The third — in the realm of the Kalinga king,

And the fourth tooth of that greatest of men

The king of the Nāgas worshipped in the city of Rāvaṇa.

The king Aśoka, residing in Pāṭaliputra,

Decorated richly the 7 monuments.

And in this land subjected to his power

These 7 monuments became adorned by objects of worship

⁴⁶¹) Vin.-kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 299 a. 3—b. 7.

⁴⁶²) Ibid. 299 b. 7—300 a. 7. ⁴⁶³) Sgra-sgrogs.

⁴⁶⁴) Nyagrodha-skyes.

⁴⁶⁵) Vin.-kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 300 b. 1—6.

⁴⁶⁶) Tshig-hdzin.

Thus, the lords of the gods, Nāgas, and men,

The lords of men, Nāgas and Yakṣas

Payed their homage and worshipped (the relics).

(The Lord), endowed with Highest Wisdom and Commiseration,

And fully possessed of the 10 powers,

Was born in the Čākya clan and attained Enlightenment
in Magadha;

In Kāṇī (Benares) he has swung the Wheel of the Doctrine,
[86 a.]

And, within the shelter of Kuṣanagara, he has passed away
into Nirvāṇa⁴⁶⁷).

As concerns the meaning of "Nirvāṇa", the Hinayānistic (schools) consider it to be the complete annihilation of the stream of all the elements, the material as well as the mental, just as fire becomes extinguished after the fuel has been consumed⁴⁶⁸). According to some of the Mahāyānists, the Body of Bliss⁴⁶⁹) attains Nirvāṇa, but none of the Buddha's adherents knows about this. (It is said that) this is a case similar to that of Indra whose death is known only to himself, whereas the gods surrounding him have no notion about it. — This is not correct, as it is said that the Body of Bliss is eternal and that the stream (of its existence) is uninterrupted⁴⁷⁰). Two causes of longevity have been mentioned, viz. abstaining from taking away life⁴⁷¹) and giving food to others.

⁴⁶⁷) Ibid. 300 b. 6—301 a. 3.

⁴⁶⁸) The different points of view of the Hinayānists regarding Nirvāṇa have been thoroughly analysed by Jam-yañ-žad-pa (Hjam-dbyaṇis-bžad-pa) in his commentary on the Abhisamayālaṅkāra (Phar-phyin-skabs-brygad-ka, Transbaikalian Chiltai Monastery edition I. 57 b. 3. sqq.). The Kashmirian Vaibhāṣikas and the Sautrāntikas following Scripture (*āgama-anusāriṇaḥ Sautrāntikāḥ* = *luñ-gi-rjes-hbraṇs-Mdo-sde-ba*) consider Nirvāṇa to be mere annihilation. A part of the Vaibhāṣikas (acc. to Jam-yañ-žad-pa some of the Vaibhāṣikas following the Abhidharmakośa) and the logician Sautrāntikas (*nyāya-anusāriṇaḥ Sautrāntikāḥ* = *rigs-paḥi-rjes-hbraṇs Mdo-sde-ba*) maintain that the consciousness of the Arhat at the time of final Nirvāṇa does not become annihilated, but that it is followed by other, different states of consciousness which do not relate to the ordinary Phenomenal Existence. This idea is to be found in a more developed form with the Yogācāras who admit an eternal motionless state of the Arhat in the so-called "Unaffected Sphere" (*zag-med-kyi dbyiṇs* = *anāsrava-dhātu*).

⁴⁶⁹) *loṅs-spyod-rdzogs-paḥi sku* = *sambhoga-kāya*. ⁴⁷⁰) Cf. vol. I. p. 132.

⁴⁷¹) *srog-gcod-pa-spaṅs-pa* = *prāṇātipātā-virati*.

Now, if the 2 are fully practised, if the 2 accumulations of merit are fully accomplished, and if one has taken recourse to the highest forms of meditation, on the basis of the 4 miraculous powers, it becomes possible, if one desires, to remain living for an aeon and longer. (By such factors the eternal existence of the Body of Bliss is conditioned). It is said in the Commentary to the *Anantamukha-nirhāra-dhāraṇī*⁴⁷²):

Only the Apparitional Body⁴⁷³) and not the other (forms) are spoken of as passing away into Nirvāṇa;
(The other 2 forms) are possessed of the factors for an eternal existence

And it is impossible for them to pass away. —

Accordingly, it is thus said that the Apparitional Body, and not the Body of Bliss does pass away into Nirvāṇa. It has moreover been said that the Apparitional Body has attained Nirvāṇa, but this does not mean that its stream of existence is altogether annihilated. We read in the *Saddharmapuṇḍarīka*⁴⁷⁴): — When the sons of a skilful physician do not drink the medicine, their father, having prepared a remedy, says: — Drink, as long as the remedy is there, for I am about to die. — So saying, he feigns death. The sons know that, the father being dead, there is no other who knows about a remedy. And so, in order to preserve their lives, they drink the medicine. Thereafter, [86 b.] when they have recovered from their illness, they come to know that the father did not really die. Now, (the father) did not commit the sin of lying in doing so. (Similar is the case with the Buddha's attainment of Nirvāṇa which is demonstrated by him as a means of converting the living beings). It is said in the *Suvarṇa-prabhāsa*⁴⁷⁵): —

The Buddha does not pass away,
And the Teaching does not cease to exist,
But, in order to bring the living beings to maturity,
The Buddha demonstrates his departure into Nirvāṇa. —

⁴⁷²) Sgo mthaṅ-yas-pa-bsgrub-paḥi-gzuṅs-kyi ḥgrel-pa. Tg. RGYUD. LXVIII. 15 b. 5. (N.)

⁴⁷³) sprul-paḥi-sku = *nirmāṇa-kāya*.

⁴⁷⁴) BB. 321. 9—323. 1. (Tathāgata-āyus-pramāṇa-parivarta.)

⁴⁷⁵) This verse is quoted in Haribhadra's *Abhisamayālaṅkāra*lokā, MS. Minaev. 103 a. 12—13. *na buddhaḥ parinirvāṇi na ca dharmo' nardhīyate / sattvānām paripākāya nirvāṇam tū padarśayate //*

The *Sūtrālaṅkāra* says⁴⁷⁶): —

As fire blazes forth in some places,
And becomes extinct in others,
So is the Buddha for the living beings,
Seen (by some) and unseen (by others). —

It is said in the *Sūtrālaṅkāra* that the stream of existence of the Apparitional Body⁴⁷⁷) is uninterrupted. Now, (we have to understand this as follows): — If food is given to somebody again and again, we say: The food is given constantly and uninterruptedly. In a similar manner; (the Apparitional Body) manifests itself uninterruptedly and is therefore regarded as having a constant existence, that does not cease. Here it has passed away into Nirvāṇa, but elsewhere it abides without departing. Here it has passed away, since there are no more such beings who could be converted by beholding (the visible form of) the Buddha. (In other places) it does not pass away, since there exist such who are to be converted through the sight of the Buddha's corporeal form, like Indra and the like. It is said in the *Āmṛtamaṅgalā-samādhi-sūtra*⁴⁷⁸): — At present, there is in the east a sphere of Buddhaic activity called "The Perfectly Adorned." There abides the Buddha Vairocana "the king of miraculous powers crowned with rays of light". The duration of his existence is equal to 700 immeasurable periods of aeons. It is said, that this Buddha represents the true form of this our Teacher. He manifests himself in 1 000 000 000 such worlds of 4 continents as ours. In some of these he becomes born, in some he manifests himself as attaining Enlightenment, in others — he swings the Wheel of the Doctrine, and in still others he demonstrates his departure into Nirvāṇa. In accordance (with all that has been said), the Buddha is not to be regarded as not having attained Nirvāṇa, inasmuch as he has removed all the Obscurations. But, on the other hand, he does not pass away, since his work is not accomplished. It is said in the *Mahāyāna-saṃgraha*⁴⁷⁹): (He has attained Nirvāṇa on one side and has not attained it on the other) [87 a.], since he has removed all the Obscurations, but at the same time has not fully accomplished his

⁴⁷⁶) IX. 17. — *yathā' gnir jvalate' nyatra punar anyatra śamyati / buddheṣu api tathā jñeyam saṃdarśanam adarśanam //*

⁴⁷⁷) sprul-sku = *nirmāṇa-kāya*.

⁴⁷⁸) Dpaḥ-bar-ḥgro-baḥi-tiṅ-ne-ḥdzin-gyi-mdo. Kg. MDO. XI. 309 a. 1—310 a. 4. (D.)

⁴⁷⁹) Tg. MDO. LVI. 49 b. 4.

work. Now, it may be asked, what was his age, when he passed away? Some say, that when he was converting the Parivrājaka Subhadra and the Gandharva Sunanda, he spent a year (in converting each). Otherwise (as it is said), having been entreated by Cunda, he consented to live two years more. Thus, according to the said authorities, he passed away when he was 82 years of age. I, however, know no source (that justifies this statement). The latter disagrees with the *Aṣṭa-mahāsthāma-caitya-stotra*⁴⁸⁰ where it is said: — Having been entreated by Cunda, he continued to live for another 3 months. — An authority versed in the Vinaya says that, according to the *Vinaya-kṣudraka*, (Buddha) passed away 84 years of age. It is clear that this authority has not read the *Vinaya-kṣudraka*, for it is said in the latter: O Ānanda, the Buddha has attained the age of 80, and has thus met with old age and infirmity. — Therefore (it will be correct if we affirm) that he passed away when he was 80 years old. Accordingly it is said in the *Suvarṇa-prabhāsa* that the Lord has attained the age of 80, and in the *Karuṇā-puṇḍarika* — that the Buddha's age was that of 100 years without one fifth. In many other sūtras we likewise have it stated that the Teacher lived 80 years. The *Mahāvibhāṣā* moreover says: —

In the place where he swung the Wheel of the Doctrine,
In Vaiṣālī, in Paṇḍubhūmi, in the realm of the gods,
In Balaghna and in Kauṣambi,
In the wilderness, in Uṣṭrayicī,
In the Bamboo Grove, and
In the city of Kapilavastu, —
In each of these places the Lord,
The Highest of living beings abided for a year.
Twenty-three years he resided in Ārāvastī,
Four years in the place abounding with remedies⁴⁸¹,
Two years he spent in Indrāṣailaguhā,
Five years — in the villages of Rājagṛha,
Six years he underwent the practice of asceticism and
Twenty-nine years he abided in his father's palace. —
Thus the Lord, the holiest and highest of Sages,
Attained the age of 80 and departed into Nirvāṇa. —

⁴⁸⁰) Tg. BSTOD. I. 95 a. 8.

⁴⁸¹) *śman-gyi-gnas*.

As concerns the date of (the Buddha's attainment of Nirvāṇa), [87 b.] it is said in the *Mahāparinirvāṇa-sūtra* that it took place in spring, on the 15th of the month of Vaiṣākha, at midnight⁴⁸²). In the commentary to the *Vinaya-kṣudraka*, the work of the teacher Āṣṭapālita^{482a}), it is said that it was at the end of autumn in the month of Kārtika on the 8th day of the ascending moon. The great Pandit Čākyačri says that it was on the 8th of the ascending moon of Kārtika, at midnight. —

At the time when the moon disappeared behind the mountain
The Highest of Sages passed away into Nirvāṇa. —

According to the Hinayānists, in the evening (the Buddha) subdued the Demon of Carnal Desire⁴⁸³). At daybreak, by force of concentrated trance called the "thunderbolt-like"⁴⁸⁴), he vanquished the Demon of Moral Defilement⁴⁸⁵). When the Evil One prayed the Buddha to pass away into Nirvāṇa, the Lord said that he would not depart, till he had not accomplished all his work for the welfare of the 4 kinds of adherents. In such a manner, some say, he vanquished the Demon of Death⁴⁸⁶). Some are of the opinion that he subdued the Demon governing the 5 groups of elements at the time when he was practising asceticism. Others affirm that he vanquished the Demon of Death and him who governs the groups of elements after having attained Nirvāṇa. Now (we know that) in the Bamboo Grove he observed the Summer Fast and at that time showed how severe and rigid observances were to be kept. Thereafter, having been entreated by the Evil One, he cut away the force of life-time⁴⁸⁷) and mastered⁴⁸⁸) the forces of life⁴⁸⁹). It is clear that by means of this he vanquished the Lord of Death and the Demon governing the groups of elements respectively⁴⁹⁰).

⁴⁸²) Cf. Mahāvamsa III. 2. — *Kusinārāyaṇ yamaka-sālānām āntare vare Vesākha-puṇṇamāyaṇ so dīpo lokassa nibbuto /*

^{482a}) Tg. MDO. LXXXI.

⁴⁸³) *lhaḥi-buḥi-bdud* = *devaputra-māra*.

⁴⁸⁴) *rdo-rje-lta-buḥi tiñ-ñe-ḥdzin* = *vajropama-samādhi*.

⁴⁸⁵) *ñon-moñs-paḥi-bdud* = *kleṣa-māra*.

⁴⁸⁶) *ḥchi-bdag-gi-bdud* = *mṛtyu-adhipati-māra* or *marāṇa-māra*.

⁴⁸⁷) *tsheḥi ḥdu-byed* = *āyuh-saṃskāra*.

⁴⁸⁸) Or "blessed" (?) *byin-gyis-brlabs-pa* = *adhiṣṭhitavān*.

⁴⁸⁹) *ḥtsho-baḥi ḥdu-byed* = *jīvita-saṃskāra*.

⁴⁹⁰) Cf. Yaçomitra, Abhidharmakośa-vyākhyā, BB. II koṣasthāna, 19. 12—20. 5.

Jñānagarbha⁴⁹¹) says: —

By these and similar words

He demonstrated his mastery over them (the forces of life), —

This because he had vanquished the 2 Demons

And was full of Commiseration with regard to the converts. —

Accordingly, he vanquished the 2 Demons who bore respectively the character of the Lord of Death and of the 5 Groups of Elements and, being full of compassion with those who were to be converted, he pronounced the blessings (through which he made manifest his mastery over the forces of life). [88 a.] In order to show that he had the power over death, he rejected (the force of life-time). And, in order to demonstrate the power over the Groups of Elements, he mastered the vital forces. This is to be taken as a matter of fact.

According to the Mahāyānists, (the Buddha) vanquished the 4 Demons simultaneously as it is said: — Hast thou not attained Enlightenment and, at that very time, vanquished the 4 Demons? —

As concerns these 12 acts of the Buddha, we have different accounts in the *Vinaya*, in the *Abhiniṣkramaṇa-sūtra* and in the *Lalitavistara*, each having its own special version. Here, in describing (the first 11 acts), we have followed the *Lalitavistara*. The act of the Buddha's departure into Nirvāṇa is rendered in accordance with the *Vinaya-kṣudraka*. The hidden meaning etc. of these accounts is to be known in detail from the *Upāyakauśalya-sūtra*⁴⁹²).

IV. Accb₂ c₃.⁴⁹³) Detailed Analysis of the Subjects referring to the Doctrine.

Here we distinguish 3 points: —

a₄) The way how the Teaching was rehearsed by the Compilers

b₄) The way how it abided after having been compiled.

c₄) The way how it will finally undergo destruction and cease to exist.

⁴⁹¹) Satya-dvaya-vibhanga.

⁴⁹²) Thabs-la-mkhas-paḥi-mdo.

⁴⁹³) Cf. Vol. I, p. 127.

IV. Acc₁ b₂ c₃ a₄. The Rehearsals of the Teaching.

Here we have: —

a₅) (The rehearsal of) the Hinayānistic Teaching.

b₅) (The rehearsal of) the Mahāyānistic Doctrine.

IV. Acc₁ b₂ c₃ a₄ a₅. The Rehearsals of the Hinayānistic Scripture.

We distinguish 3 periods during which (Hinayānistic Scripture) was rehearsed. We shall now take in consideration

The first Rehearsal.

After the monuments (harbouring the Buddha relics) etc. had thus been erected and after Āṇiputra with his 80 000 followers, Maudgalyāyana with the 70 000 under his orders and the Teacher himself with his congregation of 18 000 monks had passed away⁴⁹⁴), the gods whose life duress many aeons began to show their contempt (toward the Doctrine), saying: — The Word of the Teacher is dispersing like smoke. The monks who possessed authority and power have likewise passed away. Therefore the 3 Codes of Scripture will never come to be expounded⁴⁹⁵). In order to put an end to this manifestation of contempt, Mahākāṣyapa resolved to call a council of the clergy and bade Pūrṇa⁴⁹⁶) to assemble the monks⁴⁹⁷). [88 b.] Pūrṇa who was at that time abiding in the culminating state of mystic absorption looked around and beat the wooden gong, whereupon (all the monks), with the exception of Gavāṃpati⁴⁹⁸) assembled⁴⁹⁹). Pūrṇa, having received the order to summon Gavāṃpati⁵⁰⁰), by force of his miraculous power, flew to the palace of Āṇiputra where Gavāṃpati was abiding, saluted him and said: — The congregation of monks with Mahākāṣyapa at their head send their greetings to the reverend Gavāṃpati. There is an affair concerning the Congregation; therefore thou must speedily come. — Now Gavāṃpati was free from passion (and every kind of attachment) but, under the influence of the force of friendship (which remained with him) he asked: — O reverend Pūrṇa! Has not the Lord passed away into another world for the sake of the living

⁴⁹⁴) Vin. kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 301 a. 3—4.

⁴⁹⁵) Ibid. 301 a. 4—5. ⁴⁹⁶) Tib. Gañ-po.

⁴⁹⁷) Ibid. 301 a. 5—b. 2, 3.

⁴⁹⁸) Ba-laṇ-bdag. ⁴⁹⁹) Ibid. 301 b. 3—7.

⁵⁰⁰) Ibid. 301 b. 7—302 a. 2.

beings to be converted? Has there not been any strife, dispute and quarrel amongst the clergy, and has not any abusive language been used? Do not the heretics cause to turn back the Wheel of the Doctrine that has been swung by the Lord? Have not (these heretics) assembled and done harm to the Congregation of the Ārāvakas? Have not the (heretical) ascetics, the Brāhmaṇas, the (heretical) mystics, and the Parivrājakas who are overpowered by passion, — have they not reviled the Buddha who is akin to the sun? Have not those whose minds are covered by the darkness of ignorance caused any rupture in the unity of the Congregation? Have not the Doctrine and Discipline of the Lord, as well as the sentences and words corresponding to the Doctrine, and the philosophical teachings likewise, — have they not been rendered impure? Those who were of a virtuous behaviour, have they not got their minds diverted from reading, reciting, and taking to heart (the word of Scripture)? Are they not assembling now for telling obscene tales? With minds possessed of doubt and uncertainty [89 a], do they not consider that which is not the Doctrine to be such, and do they not speak of the real Doctrine as not being it? Do they not speak of that which is not the real Discipline as being such, and depreciate the true Discipline in saying that it is not such? The monks, obscured by the defilement of envy, do they not show contempt with those who are possessed of virtuous behaviour and who have unexpectedly come to them, instead of practising the 6 kinds of virtue that would give pleasure (to the new-comers)? The Brāhmaṇas and householders who were possessed of faith, — have they not been diverted from their belief in the Doctrine by the worthless monks and adopted heretical views? (These bad monks), — have they not taken recourse to wrong means of livelihood? Do they not live on agriculture and traffic, or maintain their life by seeking a support in worldly power? After having commenced the practice of the (12) virtues of rigid asceticism⁵⁰¹, — have they not accepted shelter in the suburbs of cities, thus frustrating their obeisances of ascetics? Those who are not really ascetics, — do they not affirm to be such and by this bring confusion amongst those who are of virtuous behaviour? Now, be this as the case may be, but, O reverend Pūrṇa, (this is especially what I wish to know): — If it is right to say: “the Congregation of

⁵⁰¹) *sbyaṇs-paḥi-yon-tan* = *dhūta-guṇa*.

monks with Buddha at their head”, how is it then that thou sayest: “With Kāc̣yapa at heir head”? (What does this mean?) — The Teacher who abided in the practice of Highest Commiseration and brought his activity to full accomplishment, — has he passed away and become merged in the plane of the final Nirvāṇa without residue?⁵⁰² And, as the steersman of all that lives is no more, has not the world (of living beings) become confused? He who was endowed with the 10 powers, — is he not himself overpowered by the force of Evanescence? The Teacher of the living beings, the protector who wakes us, — has he now himself fallen asleep? Has the sun of the Buddha gone down? The moon of the Lord of Sages, — has it not been devoured by Rahu and become invisible? [89 b.] The lordly enchanted tree in the region of the 33 gods, adorned by those fragrant flowers which are the component parts of Enlightenment and bearing the 4 sublime fruits of saintliness, — has it not been broken, by the elephant of impermanence? The Light of Divine Wisdom, — has it not disappeared into Nirvāṇa, — blown out by the wind of evanescence? Such were his questions⁵⁰³. Pūrṇa said in return⁵⁰⁴: —

O Sage, in order to secure a long existence for the Doctrine,
The Congregation of the Ārāvakas has come together,
And, being assembled at that place, they pray thee
To abide with them and join (in their work).
The great ship, the Lord, has met with destruction,
And the mountain of Divine Wisdom has broken down,
But there are still numerous ascetics of 4 kinds,
Possessed of the Highest Sublime Teaching, who are not idle.
From them I have come here as a messenger;
In order that the Teaching might be established,
Thou must come with me in any case. —

Gavāṃpati said⁵⁰⁵: —

Enough of this, O Pūrṇa, it is not the time to go.
I had the intention of going to that place
Where the Protector, the Light of World, abided.
But, as he has now departed to that other world of perfect peace,

⁵⁰²) *lhag-ma-med-paḥi mya-nan-las-ḥdas-paḥi dbyiṇs* = *anupadhiṣṣa-nirvāṇa-dhātu*.

⁵⁰³) Vin. kṣudr. Kg. ḤDUL. XI. 302 a. 4—303 a. 1.

⁵⁰⁴) Ibid. 303 a. 2—3.

⁵⁰⁵) Ibid. 303 a. 4—5.

Who, really wise, will go into this world?
 This alms-bowl and these religious garments of 3 kinds,
 Give thou to the Congregation of the monks.
 I shall go there were I find peace and no further rebirth,
 And pray those possessed of sublime intentions to forgive
 me. —

Having thus said, he manifested his miraculous power and died
 (on the spot). His body was consumed by fire that sprung forth
 from it by itself. Four streams of water then issued from it and
 the following four verses were heard: —

1. At present the times have become evil,
 The living beings rely upon their own actions,
 The Light of the World has passed away,
 Therefore all must now choose their paths themselves.
2. The active elements of life, being accumulated,
 Disappear at once, in a moment [90 a.];
 Subjected to the suffering of birth etc. and possessed of
 passion,
 The ordinary beings indulge in the conception of the Ego;
 You must know that there is no such thing!
3. He who is wise must become attentive through constant
 thought,
 And must be zealous in appreciating all that is virtuous.
 The living beings in their multitude,
 They all pass away and perish,
 And the bloom of life is liable to change.
4. Having by his wisdom duly worshipped the Lord,
 And brought to accomplishment all his aims,
 Full of reverence and highest devotion,
 Gavāmpati has thus departed, following his Teacher⁵⁰⁶).

Thereupon Pūrṇa, by the force of his miraculous power, returned
 to the place where the Congregation was assembled, made his salu-
 tations, presented the mendicant's bowl (of Gavāmpati) etc. and
 said: —

He has heard that the Body of the Lord exists no more,
 And, by the force of his virtuous deeds,
 He has passed away to perfect peace.

⁵⁰⁶) Ibid. 303 a. 5—b. 2.

Here are his religious garments and his mendicant's bowl;
 He prays the Congregation to forgive his intentions⁵⁰⁷).

Thereupon Kāçyapa said⁵⁰⁸): — Harken ye, O monks!

This one has passed away like a Saint,
 But the others must not depart to perfect peace in such
 a manner;

As long as there is a necessary work to do,
 Those who have power must assemble and dare not depart
 Like this high-minded Gavāmpati, the receptacle
 Of virtuous deeds, who resided in Çirīṣaka;
 In such a way you must not think,
 But assemble and exert your minds
 How to act for the sake of mankind. —

Having given this order, he said: — If the precepts of the Doctrine
 are expounded here, many monks will come. In such a case there
 may arise confusion. Let us therefore go to Magadha⁵⁰⁹). — Well,
 — said (the other members of the Congregation). — Then they
 sent away the monks who were still under discipline⁵¹⁰) and
 appointed Ānanda verger. Ānanda with the Congregation (in
 travelling to Magadha) passed through many a country district.
 [90 b.] But Mahākāçyapa went straightly (without roaming about),
 came to Rājagṛha and was seen by Ajātaçatru⁵¹¹). The latter,
 having been reminded of the Teacher, was about to fall from his
 elephant (in a swoon), but Kāçyapa held him by force, forbade
 him to do so any more, and said: — We desire to discuss about
 the precepts of the Doctrine in this godly place⁵¹²). — Well, —
 said the king, — I shall provide all that is necessary. — Thus they
 assembled, the king having ordered to prepare seats, couches, and
 other requisites in the hollow of a Nyagrodha tree. The summer
 fast was then proclaimed.

Now, Mahākāçyapa, having perfectly examined the state
 of mind of Ānanda, said to Aniruddha: — Amidst this Congregation
 who has been praised by the Lord, there are such who are still
 under the rules of Discipline and are possessed of passion, hatred,
 infatuation, desire, and egocentric properties. Aniruddha, having

⁵⁰⁷) Ibid. 303 b. 2—5.

⁵⁰⁸) Ibid. 303 b. 5—7.

⁵¹⁰) *ślob-pa* = *çaiḥṣa*.

⁵¹¹) Ibid. 305 a. 5—6.

⁵⁰⁹) Ibid. 303 b. 7—304 a. 4.

⁵¹²) Ibid. 304 b. 5—7.

looked over the matter with his supernatural faculty of vision, said: — Thou must know. — The Congregation of the monks is free from all that is worthless, it is pure, possessed of that which is essential, is the field on which virtue grows, and is worthy to receive the gifts of the worldly beings. But as to Ānanda, — he is of the kind which thou hast just mentioned⁵¹³). — By this Kācyapa saw that Ānanda was to be subdued by censure and said to him: — We here are the Highest Congregation and shall not discuss about the Doctrine with such as thee. — Therefore begone! — Ānanda trembled as if he had been struck in the most sensible part of his body. — O great Kācyapa, be merciful! — said he. I have not committed any transgressions as regards morals, views, conduct, and means of livelihood, nor can I be accused of the slightest offence with regard to the Congregation!⁵¹⁴) — To this Kācyapa said: — As thou wert all the time sitting at the Teacher's feet, what great wonder is it that thou hast not committed the 4 transgressions! But now rise up and bear evidence that thou hast not misbehaved with regard to the Congregation. — I shall show thee thy faults⁵¹⁵). — [91 a.] Ānanda then rose up. The 3000 worlds trembled and the gods, full of awe, said: — Alas, Kācyapa, whose words are true and beneficent, is thus bitterly censuring Ānanda, as we see from this elevated place⁵¹⁶). — Kācyapa said: — Thou hast summoned women to embrace religious life, heedless of the Teacher's having said to thee: — Ānanda, do not cause women to embrace religious life and do not tell them that they ought to take orders and become nuns. Why that? Because, if women take orders according to the discipline of this Doctrine, the latter will have no long duration. As, for instance, if hail descends on a field full of wild rice, the latter will be destroyed, similarly if women take orders, the Discipline of this Doctrine is not to abide for long. Has he not said that?⁵¹⁷) — Ānanda replied: — I cannot be accused of want of shame and the like. But (mind thou this): — Mahāprajāpati was the foster-mother who fed the Teacher with her breast. It would be suitable (to admit women to take orders) out of mere gratitude toward her, and in order that (the Buddha) should become possessed of the 4 kinds of adherents (including the nuns). — Thy gratitude, —

⁵¹³) Ibid. 305 b. 7—306 a. 4.

⁵¹⁴) Ibid. 306 a. 4—7.

⁵¹⁵) Ibid. 306 b. 3—7.

⁵¹⁶) Ibid. 306 a. 7—b. 1.

said Kācyapa, — has caused harm to the spiritual Body of the Buddha. The hail has fallen on the abundant field of Buddhaic activity; therefore there remains only the short period of 1000 years (for the Doctrine) to abide. In former times, when the passions of the living beings were insignificant, the Congregation of 4 kinds was suitable, but at present it was not the wish of the Teacher that this should be. It is thou who hast prayed him (to allow women to take orders), and this is thy first transgression. Bear evidence in this!⁵¹⁷) — Then thou hast not prayed the Teacher not to pass away into Nirvāṇa. — This was a confusion caused by the Evil One. — Just this is thy fault, — bear evidence!⁵¹⁸) —

Moreover, when asked, thou hast answered otherwise (than it was proper). Bear evidence in this!⁵¹⁹) —

Again: thou hast trampled with thy feet upon (the Buddha's) garment of fine cloth [91 b.]. — There was no companion who could have withdrawn them. — If thou hadst cast them upward into the air, the gods would have taken hold of them. — Bear evidence in this!⁵²⁰) —

Furthermore: Thou hast brought muddy water (for the Teacher)⁵²¹). — This was because 500 vehicles had passed the Kakuta river and its waters were troubled. — Thine is the fault! If thou hadst held up thy hands, the gods would have presented water of 8 different tastes. Bear evidence therefore!⁵²²) — Further on: It has been said: — If one wishes, one may, for the sake of the Congregation, relax the strictest observances of morality and the minutiae of monastic discipline and enjoy a pleasant existence! Here thou hast not inquired about these minutiae. Now there are different indications concerning them. It is said that they consist in abstaining from (those transgressions) which are mentioned directly after: 1. the 5 forms of fall, 2. the (4) transgressions that are to be expiated through confession⁵²³), 3. the 90 transgressions leading to moral fall⁵²⁴), 4. the (30) transgressions requiring absolution⁵²⁵), or 5. after the indeterminate offences⁵²⁶). The consequence was that some have not observed (the minutiae)

⁵¹⁷) Ibid. 306 b. 7—307 a. 5.

⁵¹⁸) Ibid. 307 a. 5—b. 1.

⁵¹⁹) Ibid. 307 b. 1—2.

⁵²⁰) Ibid. 307 b. 2—4.

⁵²¹) Ibid. 307 b. 4—6.

⁵²²) *so-sor-bhāgs-pa* = *pratideṣanīya*. M. Vyutp. § 162.

⁵²³) Ibid. § 161.

⁵²⁴) Ibid. § 160.

⁵²⁵) *ma-ñes-pa* = *aniyata*. M. Vyutp. § 159.

with regard to the offences which deserve expulsion⁵²⁶), and others have not observed those indicated subsequently to the indeterminate transgressions. Owing to these circumstances the heretics have got an opportunity to revile (the Doctrine). This is another fault which thou hast committed. — I was overpowered by grief at being separated from the Teacher, — (replied Ānanda). Just this very grief of thine is not to be pardoned. Therefore bear evidence! — Again, thou hast exposed to the sight of laymen and of women the concealed private parts (of the Buddha's Body)⁵²⁷. — I know, that (the women are full of passion, replied Ānanda, but I thought that if they would see the private parts of the Buddha's Body), they would become deprived of the female organ⁵²⁸). — Just (by having such strange thoughts) thou hast committed a fault. — Bear evidence, therefore!⁵²⁹ —

Furthermore, thou hast shown the Body of the Teacher to women and it has become polluted by their tears. — I thought that if such a Body would be seen, the living beings would make the Creative Effort (for Enlightenment). — Just by thinking like that thou hast committed a fault and, being thus, though slightly, possessed of desire, — depart and do not abide amongst the Highest Congregation that is completely dispassionate!⁵³⁰ — Ānanda looked in the 4 directions and, full of pain and grief, spoke in a low voice: — Alas, such is my lot. The Lord has left me. On whom am I to rely, who will be my light and protection? [92 a.] At that moment the gods exclaimed: — O! victory is with the gods and the Asuras are vanquished! The Teaching has prospered! A Ārāvaka who resembles the Teacher has censured another Ārāvaka who is likewise akin to the Teacher!⁵³¹ —

Thereupon Ānanda spoke: — O Kāṣyapa, have patience with me. I shall act in accordance with the Doctrine and shall not do henceforth (as I have done). Consider thou but this. — The Teacher has entrusted me to thy care. — Ānanda, said he, do not be grieved. Thou art confined to the care of Mahākāṣyapa. Kāṣyapa, thou

⁵²⁶) *pham-pa* = *pārājika*. Ibid. § 156.

⁵²⁷) *ḥdoms-kyi-sba-ba sbubs-su-nub-pa* = *koṣagata-vasti-guhya*.

⁵²⁸) Sic. acc. to Vin. kṣudr. — *bdag-gis ḥdi-sñam-du bsams-so // bud-med-ni ran-bñin-gyis ḥdod-chags che-bas bcom-ldan-ḥdas-kyi ḥdoms-kyi-sba-ba sbubs-su-nub-pa mthoñ-na mo-mtshan dañ-bral-bar gyur-to //*

⁵²⁹) Vin. kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 308 b. 2—4.

⁵³⁰) Ibid. 308 b. 4—7.

⁵³¹) Ibid. 308 b. 7—309 a. 3.

must not be intolerant with regard to insignificant defects, but act according to my word⁵³²). (To this Kāṣyapa said): — Thou, Ānanda, must not weep. The virtuous elements in thee are to increase and will not be diminished. I have inflicted punishment upon thee in order that thou shouldst be zealous for the sake of the Doctrine!⁵³³ —

Thereupon Aniruddha said to Kāṣyapa: If Ānanda is to be absent, how is the word of the Buddha to be compiled?⁵³⁴ — (Kāṣyapa replied): — Ānanda, although he is possessed of virtuous properties, may not abide amongst us. Desires and the like are still existing with him. Therefore he must be subjected to Discipline and ought not to discuss (about the Doctrine) with us. After that he said: — Be gone thou, Ānanda! — When, by thy zeal, thou hast become an Arhat, — then we can discuss together!⁵³⁵ —

Ānanda, with his eyes full of tears, and distressed at the thought that he was deprived of the Teacher, departed from that place. He went to the village of the Vriji, and there (one known as) the son of the Vriji tribe⁵³⁶) became his servant. Once, when (Ānanda) was expounding the Doctrine, this offspring of the Vriji tribe, having got a glimpse in his teacher's state of mind, said⁵³⁷): —

O Gautama, if thou doest keep off distraction

And abidest in the dark shadow of a tree,

Thou shalt attain Nirvāṇa.

Concentrate thy mind and practise profound meditation,

And thou shalt attain the state of perfect peace at an early date. —

Following this advice of the offspring of the Vrijis⁵³⁸), (Ānanda), during the day [92 b] and the first part of the night, walking and sitting, became purified from mental obscuration. At midnight he washed his feet outside the monastery. Thereafter, he sunk down on his right side and, without lowering his head on the

⁵³²) Ibid. 309 a. 3—5.

⁵³³) Ibid. 309 a. 5—6.

⁵³⁴) Cf. Mahāvaiṣa, III. 10. — *puna Ānanda-thero pi bhikkhūhi abhiyācito / sañmānni kātuṃ saṃgītīm sū na sakkā hi taṃ vinā //*

⁵³⁵) Vin. kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI, 309. a. 6—b. 2.

⁵³⁶) Acc. to Vin. kṣudr. *tshe-dañ-ldan-pa Brī-dzihi-bu* = *āyusmān Vrijiputra*

⁵³⁷) Ibid. 309 b. 6.

⁵³⁸) Bu-ton has here the Tibetan equivalent *Spoñ-byed-kyi-bu*.

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pillow, attained the state of an Arhat⁵³⁹). Thereafter he returned (to the place of the council) in the hollow of the Nyagrodha tree⁵⁴⁰).

Mahākācya, for the sake of the monks of future times who could forget (the precepts), discussed in the morning briefly in verse, and later on in the afternoon in detail⁵⁴¹). And first of all there was a discussion about the rehearsal of the Sūtras. Kācya asked Ānanda whether he had energy enough and bade him to compile the Sūtras on the foundation of the resolution (of the Congregation), delivered after the vote repeated twice⁵⁴²). Thereafter the 500 Arhats spread their religious garments on the seat supported by lions on which Ānanda seated himself⁵⁴³). — I must expound all the Sūtras I have heard, thought he. — And the gods, knowing his intention, listened with reverence. Then Kācya uttered the following entreaty⁵⁴⁴): —

O reverend Ānanda, expound thou the Sūtras,
The aphorisms which represent the highest form
Of the Doctrine that was delivered by the Lord,
The Teacher whose intention it was to help the world! —

Thereupon Ānanda, recalling into memory the virtues of the Teacher, turned his face toward Bodhimāṇḍa, folded his hands, recollected all the teachings he was to compile and began: — This is what I have once heard. The Lord was abiding in Benares, in Rṣipatana and in the Grove of the Antelopes. — And, as he uttered these words, the gods became full of grief and said⁵⁴⁵): —

Alas, everything in this world
Is, without exception, evanescent.
Even that ocean has dried up
Which was the repository of the jewels of virtue.
He, from whom the Doctrine has been heard directly
Is now enjoying the bliss of Salvation.

⁵³⁹) The expulsion of Ānanda and his attainment of Arhatship is related briefly in the Mahāvamsa, III. 23—25.

⁵⁴⁰) Vin. kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 309 b. 2—310 a. 5.

⁵⁴¹) Ibid. 310 a. 5—b 1.

⁵⁴²) *gsol-ba-gñis-kyi-las* = *jñapti-dvītiya-karma-vacana*. Cf. M. Vyutp. § 266. 2, 3. Cf. also Childers, Pāli Dictionary, s. v. *ñatti* (*jñapti*) and *kamma-vacana*.

⁵⁴³) Vin. kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 310 b. 1—7.

⁵⁴⁴) Ibid. 311 a. 6—7.

So have I heard, — thus it is (now) summarized
And is to be heard at present. —

Thereupon (Ānanda communicated the Sūtra): — Then [93 a.] the Lord addressed the 5 monks as follows: — O brethren, this is the Doctrine that has not been heard of before, viz. that of the uneasiness (of Phenomenal Life), — the (first) principle of the Saint, — and so on.

Then Kaundinya said to Kācya: — I have heard this part of the Doctrine directly. It has caused the ocean of my blood and tears to be dried up, has closed the doors to the evil births, has caused the mountain of bones to be crossed, and has opened the doors to blissful existence. Through the exposition of it, I and 80 000 gods have obtained the vision of the Truth⁵⁴⁶). Now, to-day it is communicated as “having been thus heard” in the past. Alas, everything is evanescent without exception! — Thus saying, he descended from his elevated seat and sat down (on the ground). The others likewise descended from their seats (and said): — We have witnessed the exposition of this Doctrine directly, but now owing to the force of evanescence, the Lord can at present only be heard of (and not directly seen)!⁵⁴⁷) —

Thereafter the Arhats, perceiving with their supernatural vision, asked Ānanda: — Is this the Word of Buddha that is acknowledged by thee? — It is the Word acknowledged by all of us, — (replied Ānanda). And, (in his turn he asked): — Is the Word acknowledged by all of you such (as I have communicated)? — It is just that, — (replied the other Arhats). — Then Kācya thought: — The rehearsal of the first aphorism has not met with any objection and must therefore be the true Doctrine. — And to Ānanda he said: — How has the second aphorism been communicated? — (Ānanda continued): — So have I heard . . . etc. What is this uneasiness (of Phenomenal Existence), — the first principle of the Saint? — It is the uneasiness accompanying birth, — and so on.

How has the 3^d aphorism been communicated? — O brethren, the material group of elements⁵⁴⁸) does not represent the Ego. —

This and the following Ānanda repeated, and the 499 Arhats [93 b.] established (that which he had said) as the kanonical

⁵⁴⁶) Ibid. 311 b. 2—3.

⁵⁴⁶) *chos-kyi-mig* = *dharma-cakṣuḥ*.

⁵⁴⁷) Ibid. 311 b. 4—312 a. 1.

⁵⁴⁸) *gzugs* = *rūpa* in the sense of *rūpa-skandha*.

text⁵⁴⁹). The aphorisms containing the teaching about the 5 groups of elements were compiled together, forming the part concerning the 5 groups. The passages about the (12) bases of cognition were united so as to form the division dealing with the bases of cognition, the aphorisms concerning the members of the causal chain and the cognition of the 4 principles, — in the Nidāna⁵⁵⁰ sections. The numerous passages delivered by the Ārjavas were combined in “the division of the Speeches of the Ārjavas”, and the sermons delivered by the Buddha, — in the part containing the Speeches of the Buddha. The aphorisms containing the teachings about the (37) characteristic features of Enlightenment were compiled so as to form the division concerning the component parts of the Path. The numerous sayings were united into the “Division of sayings”, the numerous verses, — into the corresponding section⁵⁵¹, the extensive parts of Scripture — into the Dirgha-āgama, the intermediate — into the Madhyama-āgama, and the solitary sentences and the like, — into the separate passages, containing one and more sentences⁵⁵². (Thus the division of the Sūtras) was compiled and established as the kanon. Thereupon Kācyapa asked Ānanda, whether the Teaching was of such a compass (as had been compiled). — It is of such a compass, — replied Ānanda, — and there is nothing that is left (incompleted). — Having said this, Ānanda descended from the seat and sat down on the ground⁵⁵³).

Thereupon Upāli⁵⁵⁴ was asked whether he had sufficient energy and was then ordered to rehearse the Vinaya in accordance with the resolution delivered after the twice repeated vote. After Upāli had been seated on the seat supported by lions, (Kācyapa said): — Where did the Lord lay the first foundation of Discipline? — At Benares. — For whose sake? — For the 5 monks. — He has ordered them to wear the skirt in a circular form. —

And the Arhats perceived with their supernatural vision and became convinced that this was the real Doctrine. —

Where was the second foundation of Discipline established? — (was the second question). — At Benares, for the 5 disciples, the order to wear religious robes in a circular form, — and so on.

⁵⁴⁹ Vin. kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 312 a. 2—314 a. 3.

⁵⁵⁰ Gleñ-gži. ⁵⁵¹ Yañ-dag-par-lan-paḥi-miñ (?).

⁵⁵² gcig-las-hphros-paḥi-luñ = ekottara-āgama.

⁵⁵³ Vin. kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 314 a. 3—b. 2. ⁵⁵⁴ Ne-bar-ḥkhor.

Where was the third foundation of Discipline established? — In the village of Kalandaka in order that Bhadradata⁵⁵⁵ should overcome his immorality. —

Thereafter, the (4 sins) meriting expulsion⁵⁵⁶, the (13) transgressions requiring rehabilitation by the whole of the clergy⁵⁵⁷, the indeterminate transgressions,^{557a} the 30 transgressions accompanied with forfeiture⁵⁵⁸, the (90) transgressions requiring absolution⁵⁵⁹, the (4) transgressions to be expiated by confession⁵⁶⁰ [94 a.], the numerous minutiae of Discipline, the pacification of quarrels, the supplementary rules, forfeiture, ordination, fast, punishment, calumny, the causes (of transgression), and the subject of faith, — all these were definitely indicated. In such a way the Vinaya was rehearsed, and after that Upāli descended from his seat⁵⁶¹. Then Mahākācyapa, in order to rehearse the Abhidharma, for the sake of the living beings of future times, — underwent the procedure of vote and resolution. He said: — Of the Abhidharma I shall speak myself. The Abhidharma is that which elucidates the essence of the things cognizable. It consists of the 4 methods of intense mindfulness, — etc. as before⁵⁶²).

Thereupon, as the 500 Arhats thus rehearsed the 3 Codes of Scripture, the gods exclaimed: — O! the gods have won and the Asuras have lost! — And the 500 monks received the name of “the Great Compilers”⁵⁶³).

Thereupon Mahākācyapa spoke as follows⁵⁶⁴): —

The limitless Word of Him

Who was endowed with the 10 Powers

Is now compiled in this Book of the Law

For the sake of mankind.

It is possessed of light,

Since it removes the gloom of ignorance,

Wherever false views obscure and oppress the living beings. —

Then he thought⁵⁶⁵): — I have rehearsed the Word of the Buddha as well as I could and have (through this) to a certain extent been

⁵⁵⁵ Bzañ-sbyin. ⁵⁵⁶ pham-pa = pārājika.

⁵⁵⁷ lhag-ma = (sangha)-avaṣṣa. ^{557a} ma-ñes-pa = aniyata.

⁵⁵⁸ spañ-luñ = naisargika. ⁵⁵⁹ luñ-byed = prāyaścittika.

⁵⁶⁰ so-sor-bṣags-pa = pratideṣanīya.

⁵⁶¹ Vin. kṣudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 314 b. 2—315 b. 6.

⁵⁶² Ibid. 315 b. 6—316 a. 5. ⁵⁶³ Ibid. 316 a. 5—b. 3.

⁵⁶⁴ Ibid. 316 b. 3—4. ⁵⁶⁵ Ibid. 316 b. 7—317 a. 2.

of help (to the living beings). — Now, who is able (to do this work) completely? I for my part shall depart into Nirvāṇa. —

Having rehearsed the sermons of the Lord,
I have established the Path of Virtue;
This Word of the Teacher is to abide for long,
Being transferred from one (disciple) to another;
It will chastise those that are shameless
And support those who are modest.
I have been of help and stored up merit,
And the time for me to pass into Nirvāṇa has come. —

Know thou, Ānanda! [94 b.] The Teacher has passed away, after having entrusted the Doctrine to my care. As I am now to depart into Nirvāṇa, it is thou who art to be its defender. And thou, in thy turn, art to entrust it to Čānavāsika⁵⁶⁶).

Thereupon Kāçyapa, having worshipped the 8 monuments with the relics (of the Buddha) and the tooth (of the latter) which was preserved in the realm of the Nāgas, rose up to the abode of the 33 gods. There he beheld the tooth (of the Buddha that was kept there) without winking, placed it on the crown of his head, worshipped it and said to the gods: — Be full of attention and devotion! — Having delivered this word he returned to Rājagṛha. Ajātaçatru to whom he intended to announce his arrival was asleep. — Make him awaken and call him to me! — So said he, ascended the southern hill Kukkuṭapāda and strewed Kuça grass in the interspace between the 3 hills. Then he put on the patched cowl of the Buddha, uttered a blessing (that his corpse) should not decay till the time when the word of Maitreya would be expounded and, having demonstrated many miraculous apparitions, passed away into Nirvāṇa. Thereafter the gods worshipped, spread a cover over the 3 mountains, uttered many sounds of lamentation, and disappeared⁵⁶⁷).

At that time Ajātaçatru, who had dreamt that the lineage of his mother's brother belonging to the royal race had ceased, awoke and, having heard that Kāçyapa had passed away, fell in a swoon. Upon recovering, he ascended the hill, and the Yakṣas withdrew the cover (that was spread over the hills). The king, having worshipped, was about to order that the body should be burnt, but Ānanda said: — He has pronounced a blessing that his body should remain

⁵⁶⁶) Ibid. 317 a. 2—4.

⁵⁶⁷) Ibid. 317 a. 4—318 b. 2.

till the time when the Doctrine of Maitreya is to be expounded. The 930 millions of Črāvakas of Maitreya will take the body (of Kāçyapa) and show it, saying: — This was a disciple of Čākyamuni, the foremost of those endowed with the 12 virtues of an ascetic. It was he who compiled the Teaching. — And it will be known that the men of this (age of ours) were small in size and the Teacher's body great. [95 a.] Then Maitreya will say: — These are the robes of Čākyamuni! — Then his adherents will assume the virtues of ascetics and become Arhats. — It is for this reason that one must not burn (these relics), but build here a monument⁵⁶⁸). —

Accordingly they erected a monument and worshipped. And after that a covering was again spread over the 3 mountains. Then Ānanda promised that he would show to Ajātaçatru how he would pass away into Nirvāṇa, and thereupon departed into the Bamboo Grove⁵⁶⁹).

Whilst he was abiding there, Čānavāsika arrived, after having fortunately crossed the sea, and asked: — I intend to celebrate the 5 years' feast. But where is the Teacher? — He has passed away! — And, as he heard this, Čānavāsika fell in a swoon. — And Čāriputra and the rest, — where do they abide? — They have likewise passed away, — (was the answer). Thereafter Čānavāsika made a 5 years' feast for Ānanda and the Congregation, at the end of which he took orders and became versed in the 3 Codes of Scripture⁵⁷⁰).

At that time a certain monk (was preaching in the following manner)⁵⁷¹): —

He whose life has a duration of 100 years
Can certainly abide in ease like a duck in the water.
And can be perceived as similar to such a duck.
Such a uniform life is the best.

Ānanda, having heard this, said:⁵⁷²) — The Teacher has not preached like that, but: —

He with whom life dures 100 years
Invariably becomes born and perishes.
The Teacher has declared that here on earth

⁵⁶⁸) Ibid. 318 b. 2—319 a. 4. ⁵⁶⁹) Ibid. 319 a. 4—6.

⁵⁷⁰) Ibid. 319 a. 6—b. 5. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 9.

⁵⁷¹) Vin. kṣudr. Kg. ĪDUL. XI. 319 b. 6.

⁵⁷²) Ibid. 319 b. 6—302 a. 2.

Two kinds of individuals must be distinguished:
 Those with minds full of disbelief and hatred,
 And those who in their faith have gone astray.
 He who has wrongly apprehended the Sūtras
 Is like an ox that has fallen into a mire,
 And must inevitably perish.
 He has no thoughts concerning his death,
 His study does not lead to knowledge and is fruitless.
 Incorrect knowledge, it is like poison;
 But he is really wise, whose study [95 b.]
 Leads to correct knowledge and has for its result
 The removal of all the Obscurations. —

The monk who had recited incorrectly said to the preceptor (with whom he studied): — Ānanda has grown old and has lost his power of memory. The preceptor said⁵⁷³): —

Subjected to the suffering of old age,
 This living being has lost his memory;
 He does not recollect correctly,
 For his mind is overpowered by decrepitude. —

Ānanda heard this and said: — If I speak to him there will be a quarrel. It is likewise unsuitable for me to go (and remonstrate) before his teacher. I shall therefore pass away into Nirvāṇa. —

The old ones, — they all have died before,
 And with these new young monks one cannot be of accord.
 I am now abiding quite alone
 In concentrated trance, similar to a bird.
 Those who were my friends and associates
 Have all of them died before and are gone.
 How shall I reflect over the state of mystic absorption?
 There is no suitable teacher for this here⁵⁷⁴). —

Accordingly he said to Ānāvāsika: — The Doctrine has been entrusted by the Teacher to Kāçyapa, and by the latter to myself. I am now about to depart (into Nirvāṇa). Therefore it is thou who art to guard the Doctrine. And he foretold that in the place called Mathurā⁵⁷⁵) on the mountain called Murunda, Nata and Pata, the sons of a merchant would build a monastery and become alms-givers (of the church). He said moreover that Upagupta⁵⁷⁶),

⁵⁷³) Ibid. 320 a. 2—3. ⁵⁷⁴) Ibid. 320 a. 3—7.

⁵⁷⁵) Bcom-brlag. ⁵⁷⁶) N̄er-sbas.

the son of Gupta⁵⁷⁷), the merchant of incense, should take orders. Indeed, the Teacher had prophesied: — One hundred years after I have passed away, this one will become a Buddha, though without bearing the characteristic feature of such⁵⁷⁸), and perform the acts peculiar to a Buddha. — Let it be so, — said Ānāvāsika⁵⁷⁹). — Thereafter Ānanda sent a message to Ajātaçatru and then departed into the middle of the Ganges. The king, having dreamt that the staff of his umbrella had been broken, awoke and, after he had heard the message of Ānanda, fell in a swoon. When he recovered, he set out with his army in the direction of the Ganges⁵⁸⁰). At the same time the gods spoke to the inhabitants of Vaiçālī as follows⁵⁸¹): —

The Saint Ānanda who is like a light for the animate world,
 Has manifested his Great Commiseration for the multitude
 of living beings. [96 a.]

This Sage, having removed the darkness of suffering,
 Has now come to Vaiçālī, in order to attain perfect peace. —

Thereupon the Licchavis likewise proceeded toward the Ganges. At that time a Brahmanical anchorite with 500 adherents expressed the wish to take orders. Ānanda produced by magic an island in the middle of the Ganges and there (the anchorite and his followers) were ordained and became Arhats. With respect to the place and the time they became known by the name of Madhyāntika — “(those who were ordained) at noon-day⁵⁸²) or in the middle of the river”⁵⁸³). (The anchorite) then prayed that he might pass away into Nirvāṇa before Ānanda, but the latter said: — Kashmir is the place suitable for mystic absorption and the best resting-place. There, 100 years after I have passed away, a monk known by the surname of Madhyāntika is to establish the Doctrine. — Such was the prophecy of the Teacher and thou must act according to it. — I shall do so, — replied the anchorite⁵⁸⁴).

Thereupon Ānanda, having manifested many miraculous apparitions, passed away into Nirvāṇa. Half of his body was taken by the citizens of Vaiçālī and the other half — by Ajātaçatru.

⁵⁷⁷) Sbas-pa. ⁵⁷⁸) Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 17.

⁵⁷⁹) Vin. ksudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 320 a. 7—b. 4.

⁵⁸⁰) Ibid. 320 b. 4—321 a. 2.

⁵⁸¹) Ibid. 321 a. 2—3. ⁵⁸²) N̄i-ma-guñ-pa.

⁵⁸³) Chu-dbus-pa. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 9.

⁵⁸⁴) Vin. ksudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 321 b. 4—322 a. 1.

By the sharp thunderbolt of Highest Wisdom
He split in two his body resembling a mountain.
One half was given to the ruler of men,
And the other — to the Congregation of the Lord. —

And thereupon monuments were erected at Vaiṇali and Pāṭali-putra⁵⁸⁵).

Thereafter Madhyāntika, in order that the prophecy of the Teacher and the order of his preceptor (Ānanda) should be fulfilled, went off to Kashmir. There he seated himself in a cross-legged position and became absorbed in concentrated trance. This brought the Nāgas (who were residing there) into a rage. They shook the ground and sent down a heavy rain. However, by this they were incapable of moving even the fringe of (Madhyāntika's) religious garment. Then a rain of arrows and other missiles descended upon him, but these were all turned into flowers. Owing to this the Nāgas were dismayed and asked Madhyāntika what would be his orders. He said: — This place belongs to me according to the prophecy of the Buddha. — And they gave him so much ground as he could cover by sitting in cross-legged posture, [96 b.] but this space was (miraculously augmented so as to fill up) all the 9 valleys (of Kashmir)⁵⁸⁶. Then the Nāgas asked: — How many adherents hast thou? — 500 Arhats, — replied the elder. — Now, if one of these will be absent, — we shall take the ground back again, — (returned the Nāgas)⁵⁸⁷. — The elder said: — Be it as it may be; in any case it has been provided for alms-givers; therefore one must introduce householders here. — Thereupon he settled there a multitude of people, and, in order that they should prosper, he went to Gandhamadana and caused saffron to grow. Thereafter he subdued the troublesome Nāgas. The latter asked him how long the Teaching was to abide there, and the elder replied, that it would exist 1000 years. They then consented to give up the ground for the time during which the Doctrine of the Lord was to exist there. — Be it so, — said the elder. Then, after he had established the church in Kashmir, (the elder Madhyāntika) passed away into Nirvāṇa⁵⁸⁸). The church was thereafter entrusted by Čānavāsika to Upagupta, by Upagupta — to Dhītika, by the

⁵⁸⁵) Ibid. 322 a. 1—4. ⁵⁸⁶) Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 12. sqq.

⁵⁸⁷) Vin. kṣudr. Kg. ȦDUL. XI. 322 a. 4—323 a. 2.

⁵⁸⁸) Ibid. 323 a. 2—7.

latter — to Kṛṣṇa, and by Kṛṣṇa to Sudarṇana. (And they all) departed into Nirvāṇa (one after the other)⁵⁸⁹).

The second Rehearsal.

One hundred and ten years after the Teacher had passed away, the monks abiding in Vaiṇali were indulging in prohibited actions of which there were 10 kinds: —

Exclamations of astonishment (1), rejoicing (2),
Digging ground (3), using the sacred salt (4),
Eating on the way (5), taking the food with 2 fingers (6),
Eating not at due time (7), taking intoxicating drink (8),
Making a new rug without stitching to it a patch of the old one (9),

And begging for gold and silver (10). —

These, briefly, were the transgressions which were admitted⁵⁹⁰).

At that time an Arhat named Sarvakāmin^{590a}) who had attained the 8 degrees of liberation (from materiality)⁵⁹¹) was residing at Vaiṇali. And from the city called Dhanika⁵⁹²) there came an Arhat called Yaças^{592a}) with 500 adherents who had made a turn through the country. Having arrived at Vaiṇali, they found that the monks had a large income, and they themselves obtained a great share. Having asked the reason of this, [97 a.] they came to know that 10 prohibited points were admitted⁵⁹³). Accordingly, they went to Sarvakāmin and inquired: — Is it proper that (the exclamations of astonishment) like aho! should be admitted? How is this possible? — With the monks of Vaiṇali the conduct does not harmonize with the theory. They perform religious observances and at the same time they admit such exclamations as aho! O reverend master, this is not right. — At what place has (the Lord) established the rule forbidding this? — At Campā. — Whom had he in view when he established it? — The 6 disciples. — Amongst what category of transgressions has it been counted? — Amongst the nume-

⁵⁸⁹) Ibid. 323 a. 7—b. 4.

⁵⁹⁰) Ibid. 323 b. 4—325 a. 4. Summary in verse 332 a. 2—3. Cf. also Ma-hāvamsa, IV. 9—11 a. and Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 41 and 289.

^{590a}) Thams-cad-ḥdod.

⁵⁹¹) rnam-thar-brgyad = aṣṭau vimokṣāḥ.

⁵⁹²) Nor-can. ^{592a}) Grags-pa.

⁵⁹³) Vin. kṣudr. Kg. ȦDUL. XI. 325 a. 4—7.

rous minute defects. — O Elder, this first point is a transgression with regard to the Sūtras and the Vinaya. It deviates from the Teaching of the Master, and (the permission of it) is not contained in the Sūtras and is not to be found in the Vinaya. It disagrees with the Essence of the Doctrine. Therefore, when it is spoken of as admissible and has become practice, how is it possible to be indifferent with regard to it? — (Sarvakāmin) sat without answering a word.

Then, O Elder, the following is to be asked. Can exclamations of rejoicing be regarded as admissible? . . . and so on, as before. — They perform religious observances, and at the same time incite the monks in attendance to rejoice and consider this to be admissible. This is not right. — (The rules forbidding it have been delivered) at Campā to the 6 disciples and (it has been counted) among the numerous minute defects.

As concerns the acts of the monks, it is considered admissible to live by agriculture (digging the ground). (This has been forbidden) at Ārāvastī to the 6 disciples and counted amongst the transgressions that require absolution⁵⁹⁴).

Furthermore, it is considered admissible to mix the salt that is to be kept for life-time with that which is used in general, to eat it, and make it thus an object of ordinary use. (The rules forbidding this) have been delivered at Rājagṛha to Āriputra and (this act) is counted among the transgressions requiring absolution. Moreover, eating on the way is held to be admissible. — (The monks) having gone a yojana or a half of such, assemble and eat, with the pretext that they are travelling. This has been forbidden at Rājagṛha to Devadatta and counted among the defects requiring absolution.

Then we have “the transgression of the 2 fingers”. The food that has not been left (from a previous meal) they eat, taking it with 2 fingers. This has been forbidden at Ārāvastī to numerous monks and counted among the acts requiring absolution [97 b.].

Further on, there is the transgression admitted under the pretext of illness. The monks take wine in the manner of a leech that sucks blood and, having drunk, excuse it with illness. This has been forbidden at Ārāvastī to Saugata and counted among the offences requiring absolution.

⁵⁹⁴) *prāyaścittika* = *kuñ-byed*.

Next there is “the admission of a mixture”. The monks mix a droṇa measure of milk with as much sour milk and eat it at undue time, considering this to be admissible. (The rules forbidding this) have been delivered at Ārāvastī to numerous monks and it is counted amongst the transgressions requiring absolution.

Then there is the transgression concerning the rug (or carpet on which the monk sits). The monks begin to use a new carpet without patching it with the so-called Sugata span taken from the old one. The rules forbidding this have been delivered at Ārāvastī to numerous monks and it is counted among the transgressions requiring absolution.

And lastly, there is the transgression regarding gold and silver. The monks anoint an alms-bowl with fragrant species, put it on the head of a Āramaṇa, on a table or a seat, place it in a narrow passage or at the crossing-place of 4 roads, and proclaim: — This is a sublime vessel. If you deposite your gifts into it and fill it, you are to reap great merit. Accordingly, the people fill (the bowl) with gold and silver which is enjoyed (by the monks). The rules forbidding this were delivered to the 6 disciples.

Thereafter Sarvakāmin spoke (to Yaças): — Go thou and find such who would be of accord with thee, and I will be thy friend according to the Doctrine⁵⁹⁵). Yaças accordingly departed and spoke as he had before to Ādha⁵⁹⁶) from the city of Āṇaka, to Dhanika⁵⁹⁷) from Saṃkaṣya, to Kubjita⁵⁹⁸) of Pāṭaliputra who was enjoying the highest felicity, as he was absorbed in concentrated trance, to Ajita⁵⁹⁹) of Ārughna⁶⁰⁰), to Saṃbhūta⁶⁰¹) of Mahiṣmati⁶⁰²), and to Revata⁶⁰³) of Sahajā⁶⁰⁴). These said: — Thou art tired. Rest now and we shall search for those that would take our part⁶⁰⁵).

Thereafter the monks of Vaiṣālī asked the pupils of Yaças⁶⁰⁶): — Whither has your teacher gone? — He is seeking for those who will aid him in executing the act of your excommunication. — Tho this the monks of Vaiṣālī said: — This is not a good action. [98 a.] According to the Word of the Teacher who has passed away it is proper to maintain one's life in many different ways. As

⁵⁹⁵) Ibid. 325 b. 1—328 a. 1.

⁵⁹⁶) Gyo-Idan.

⁵⁹⁷) Nor-can.

⁵⁹⁸) Zla-sgur.

⁵⁹⁹) Ma-pham-pa.

⁶⁰⁰) Sug-na.

⁶⁰¹) Yaṇ-dag-skyes.

⁶⁰²) Ma-he-Idan.

⁶⁰³) Nam-gru.

⁶⁰⁴) Lhan-cig-skyes.

⁶⁰⁵) Vin. ksudr. Kg. HDUL. XI. 329 a. 5—7.

⁶⁰⁶) Grags-pa.

this is so, wherefore are you planning to do mischief to us? — The others replied: — You are behaving in a way that is not admissible and bring corruption into the Church. Therefore we shall in any case execute the act of your excommunication. — And as they said so, (the monks of Vaiçali) became afraid and tried to bribe the pupils of Yaças, by presenting to them mantles, religious robes, etc.⁶⁰⁷). Thereafter Yaças having finished the search of those who would form his party, returned, and his pupils said to him: — Master, it would be better to forbear from this our intention. According to the Word of the deceased Teacher, it is permitted to live in many different ways. If this be so, for what reason should we plan mischief against (these monks)? — By these their words (the Arhat) understood that they had been bribed and spoke to them as follows⁶⁰⁸): —

He who hastens where one ought to tarry
And tarries when one ought to make haste
Is a fool who does not act when it is proper
And becomes subjected to suffering.
His lot is to be without renown,
And he is deserted by his friends.
His cause, it does not prosper,
Being like the descending moon.
But he who duly applies his mind (to fulfill his aim),
Who makes haste when it is proper and does not tarry,
Is a wise man who removes
All that is insuitable and attains bliss.
His lot is fame, he is not deserted by his friends,
And his fortune will grow like the ascending moon.

Thereafter Yaças went to the courtyard where the monks were assembled and let them put his knowledge, the result of his previous vows⁶⁰⁹) to a test. He struck the wooden gong, and 700 Arhats, all of them pupils of Ananda, assembled, with the exception of one. (This one was) Kubjita who did not hear, since he was absorbed in the Cessation-Trance⁶¹⁰).

Then Yaças thought: — If the names (of the monks to be ex-

⁶⁰⁷) Ibid. 329 a. 7—330 a. 3.

⁶⁰⁸) Ibid. 330 a. 7—b. 2.

⁶⁰⁹) *smoṇ-nas-ces-pa* = *prañidhi-jñāna*.

⁶¹⁰) *hḡog-paḥi-sñoms-hjug* = *nirodha-samāpatti*. Vin. kṣudr. Kg. ȦDUL. 330 b. 2—3.

communicated) are called out and repeated aloud, passions will be aroused. [98 b.] One must therefore speak without mentioning names. — And he sat down at the side of the Elders⁶¹¹). At that moment Kubjita rose up from the Cessation Trance, and a certain god summoned him, saying: — Seven hundred Arhats, of the same preceptor as thyself, are rehearsing the Teaching. Therefore make haste to join them. Accordingly, by the force of his miraculous power, Kubjita flew to the place and appeared before the gate of the courtyard. As he knocked, those within asked: — Who art thou? And he replied as follows: —

There are ascetics dwelling in Pāṭaliputra
Who are profoundly learned and observe the Vinaya.
One of them has now come here,
His name being “the subduer of the senses”.
It is he who is standing at the gate!

There are likewise other “subduers of their senses” (said the monks). — He then said: — I am he who has cleared all doubt. — I am he who is free from regret. — And finally: — I am Kubjita. — Then the doors were opened and he entered⁶¹²).

Then Yaças, addressing the Elders, began: — O venerable sirs, is the license of shouting aho! admissible? Thus spoke he and further on as before, without mentioning names, viz. that such and such monks (were doing the prohibited actions). — Such a conduct is to be condemned by us! — In this manner he discussed the 10 inadmissible points in detail, and (the other Elders) gave their approval⁶¹³). Then they went out and beat the wooden gong, causing the monks of Vaiçali to assemble. The Elders now called out the name (of those who committed the transgressions), viz. “the monks of Vaiçali,” spoke of the 10 inadmissible points at full length and said: — These are to be excommunicated by all of us. — And, for speaking thus, the 700 (Arhats) became known as “those who made the correct resolution”⁶¹⁴).

Thus the second rehearsal was carried out by the 700 Arhats. The aim of it was the exclusion of the 10 inadmissible points. The time was — 110 years after the Teacher had passed away. The

⁶¹¹) Ibid. 330 b. 3—5.

⁶¹²) Ibid. 330 b. 5—331 a. 5.

⁶¹³) Ibid. 331 a. 5—b. 3.

⁶¹⁴) Ibid. 331 b. 3—332 a. 2.

place was the monastery of Kusumapura⁶¹⁵) at Vaiṣali, and the alms-giver of the monks was the pious king Aṣoka. [99 a.]⁶¹⁶)

The third Rehearsal.

(The account of this third rehearsal) is not to be found in the Vinaya and therefore we meet here and there with disagreeing points. According to some, 137 years after the Teacher had passed away, at the time when the kings Nanda and Mahāpadma were reigning, and when the elders Mahākāṣyapa, Uttara⁶¹⁷) and others were residing at Pāṭaliputra, Māra the Evil One, having assumed the form of a monk named Bhadra, showed many miraculous apparitions, sowed disunion amongst the clergy and brought confusion into the Teaching⁶¹⁸). At that time, when the elders Nāgasena⁶¹⁹) and Manojña⁶²⁰) were living, (the clergy) became split into (various) sects. On the 63^d year (after this division had taken place), the Teaching was rehearsed by the elder Vātsīputra⁶²¹). According to others, 160 years after the Teacher had passed away, at the time when the king Aṣoka began to reign in the city called Kusumavistara (?)⁶²²), the Arhats were reading the Word of the Buddha in (4 different languages), viz. the Sanskrit⁶²³), Prakrit⁶²⁴), Apabhraṃṣa⁶²⁵), and Paiṣācika⁶²⁶). Accordingly, the pupils (of the different Arhats) formed separate fractions, and this gave origin to the division into the 18 sects. In the philosophical views (of the different sects) there were many disagreeing points which brought confusion into the Church⁶²⁷). — It was for this reason that Arhats and ordinary learned monks, having assembled in the monastery of Jalandhara, rehearsed (Scripture) for a third time. This

⁶¹⁵) Xyl. Ku-sma-pu-ri. Or: Puṣṭapura. Cf. Mahāvamsa, IV. 31. — Pupphapura.

⁶¹⁶) Mahāvamsa, IV. 8. — *atīte dasame vasse Kālāsokassa rājino / sambud-dha-parinibbāṇa evaṃ vassasatāṃ ahu //*

⁶¹⁷) Bla-ma.

⁶¹⁸) This passage is fully contained in the Tarkajvālā of Bhāvaviveka, Tg. (Pek.) MDO. XIX. 162 b. 6—163 a. 3. Cf. also Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 52.

⁶¹⁹) Kluḥi-sde. ⁶²⁰) Yid-ḥoñ.

⁶²¹) Gnas-maḥi-bu. Cf. Tarkajvālā, Tg. MDO. XIX. 163 a. 1 sqq.

⁶²²) Me-tog-gis-rgyas-pa. So also in Tarkajvālā.

⁶²³) legs-par-sbyar-ba. ⁶²⁴) tha-mal-pa. ⁶²⁵) zur-chag.

⁶²⁶) ṣa-zaḥi-skad.

⁶²⁷) A similar passage is contained in the Tarkajvālā, Tg. MDO. XIX. 161 a. 3. sqq.

took place 360 years after the Teacher had passed away. We read however in the *Karuṇā-puṇḍarika*⁶²⁸) the following prophecy: — One hundred years after I have passed away, there will appear in Pāṭaliputra a king named Aṣoka of the Maurya dynasty⁶²⁹). This king will cause to worship the 84 000 monuments containing my relics in a single day. — And in the *Prabhāvatī*⁶³⁰) it is said: — Thereafter the king Dharmāṣoka died, and the Arhats, in order to put an end to the practice of reciting (Scripture) in Prakrit, Apabhraṃṣa [99 b.] and in a dialect of intermediate character, gradually rehearsed (the kanonical texts) according to other methods. These new texts were like the sūtras which were compiled in Sanskrit^{630a}). (Thereafter) the Teaching assumed 18 different forms. — I am of the opinion that (the statement of the authority just mentioned) disagrees with the texts I have quoted (before).

Others (speak about the 3^d council) as follows: — The aim of it was to clear the doubts of the 18 sects as regards the spurious texts of Scripture. The time was 300 years after the Teacher had passed away. The place was the country of Kashmir and the monastery of Kuvana, and the alms-giver was Kaṇiska⁶³¹), the king of Jalandhara. The members of the council were 500 Arhats with Pūrṇika at their head, 500 Bodhisattvas, Vasumitra and others, and 250 or 10 000 ordinary Paṇḍits. After a recitation (of the texts) had been made, it was settled, that the texts acknowledged by the 18 sects were all of them the Word of Buddha.

As concerns the division into the 18 sects, Bhavya⁶³²) considers that there were 2 principal fractions viz. the Mahāsaṅghikas⁶³³) and the Sthaviras⁶³⁴). Others say that there were 3, — (the 2 just mentioned) and the Vibhajyavādins⁶³⁵). The Mūlasarvāstivādins⁶³⁶) say that till the time of the 2^d rehearsal there was only

⁶²⁸) Kg. MDO. VI. 140 a. 1—3. (N.)

⁶²⁹) Mu-raḥi rigs-kyi. ⁶³⁰) Tg. MDO. LXXXIX. 182 a. 2, 3. (N.)

^{630a}) Sic. acc. to Tg. — *rgyal-poḥi-skad-du sbyar-baḥi mdo-sde*. The Xyl. has — *rgya-chen-poḥi skad-du*.

⁶³¹) Xyl. Ka-ni-ka. ⁶³²) Tarkajvālā, Tg. MDO. XIX. 163 a. 2. (Pek.)

⁶³³) Dge-ḥdun-phal-chen-pa. ⁶³⁴) Gnas-brtan-pa.

⁶³⁵) Rnam-par-phyee-ste-smra-ba. Cf. Tarkajvālā, Tg. MDO. XIX. 162 b. 1. *gžan-ñid-kyis smra-ba-ni śna-ma-bžin-du brjod-par-byaḥo // rtsa-baḥi dbye-ba-ni gsum-ste / ḥdi-lar Gnas-brtan-pa dañ / Dge-ḥdun-phal-chen-pa dañ / Rnam-par-phyee-ste-smra-baḥo //*

⁶³⁶) Gži-yod-smra-ba. This and the following is an extract from Čākyaprabha's *Prabhāvatī* (Tg. MDO. LXXXIX. 182 a. 4—b. 7. Nar.) in abridged form.

one school viz. the Mūlasarvāstivāda. Thereafter, owing to the fact that Scripture was recited in different dialects, there arose the 17 other sects. (The texts of these fractions), they say, do not represent the Teaching of Buddha. They are not to be found in the Vinaya, since they are not included in the precepts containing the monastic obeisances. Neither are they contained in the Sūtras, since they contradict each other. They are likewise in conflict with the true Essence of the Doctrine, since they explain the Word of Scripture in another sense. — Therefore they are not the Word of the Buddha. —

We refute this statement of the Sarvāstivādins as follows: — The texts of the 17 sects are the Word of Buddha. They are to be found in the Vinaya, since they teach the Moral Discipline^{636a}. They are contained in the Sūtras, as they speak of the Mental Discipline⁶³⁷. And they are not in conflict with the true Essence of the Doctrine, since they are in conformity with the Teaching of Nirvāṇa and contain the precepts relating to the Discipline of Highest Wisdom⁶³⁸. Moreover they are endowed with the 3 seals, the negation of a real Ego with regard to all the elements, etc. [100 a.] They have as their principal subject-matter exclusively the Word of the Buddha, they have been analysed by the Arhats, and have appeared as a result of the Buddha's blessings. — We read moreover in the Sūtra containing the explanation of the dream of king Kṛkin⁶³⁹, as follows: O great monarch, in thy dream thou hast seen how 18 men were pulling at a piece of cloth. This means that the Teaching of the Buddha Cākyamuni will be split into 18 sects. But the cloth, that is (the Doctrine of) Salvation, will not be torn asunder. — This passage likewise proves that (the canonical texts acknowledged by the 18 sects) represent all of them the Word of Buddha. Vinitadeva⁶⁴⁰ and the author of the *Bhikṣu-varṣāgra-prcchā*⁶⁴¹ are of the opinion that there were 4 principal sections. Vinitadeva says: —

^{636a}) *tshul-khrims* = *çīla* in the sense of *adhiçīla-çikṣā*.

⁶³⁷) *sems* = *citta* in the sense of *adhicitta-çikṣā*.

⁶³⁸) *çes-rab* = *prajñā* in the sense of *adhiprajñā-çikṣā*.

⁶³⁹) Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 59.

⁶⁴⁰) Dul-lha. The following passage in verse is a quotation from the Nikāya-bheda-upadarçana-saṃgraha. Tg. MDO. LXXXIX. 172b. 1—3. (N.)

⁶⁴¹) Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 272.

The Eastern⁶⁴²), the Western⁶⁴³), the Himālayan⁶⁴⁴),
The Lokottaravādins⁶⁴⁵), and the Prajñaptivādins⁶⁴⁶), —
These five belong to the Mahāsaṃghikas.
The Mūlasarvāstivādins, the Kāçyapiya⁶⁴⁷),
The Mahiçāsaka⁶⁴⁸) and the Dharmagupta⁶⁴⁹),
The Bahuçrutiya⁶⁵⁰), the Tāmraçatiya⁶⁵¹),
And the division of the Vibhajyavāda, —
These are the Sarvāstivādins.
The Jetavaniya⁶⁵²), the Abhayagirivāsins⁶⁵³)
And the Mahāvihāravāsins⁶⁵⁴), —
These form the section of the Sthaviras.
The Kaurukullaka⁶⁵⁵), Āvantaka⁶⁵⁶), Vātsīputriya⁶⁵⁷),
Are the 3 varieties of the Saṃmitiya⁶⁵⁸).
These are the 18 different sects,

Differing as regards their country, Doctrine and teacher.

According to the author of the *Varṣāgra-prcchā*⁶⁵⁹), 6 sects form the division of the Mahāsaṃghika, 4 sects — that of the Sarvāstivādins, 5 — that of the Saṃmitiya, and 3 — that of the Sthaviras. The Sarvāstivādins, "those who admit the reality of all (the elements)" are called so, since they maintain that (the elements as classified into) groups, component elements of an individual, and bases of cognition, or otherwise, that all the objects in the present, past, and future exist in reality. Just as the high classes establish the mundane laws and customs of a country or race, in a similar manner (these Sarvāstivādins), as they spoke in Sanskrit [100 b.] (the

⁶⁴²) Çar (-kyi-ri-bo-pa) = Pūrvaçaila. (Mahāvaiṃsa V. 12 b—Pubbaseliyā).

⁶⁴³) Nub (-kyi-ri-bo-pa) = Aparaçaila. (Mahāvaiṃsa V. 12 b—Aparaseliyā).

⁶⁴⁴) Gaṃs-kyi-ri-pa = Haimavata (Ibid. V. 12 a).

⁶⁴⁵) Hjiç-rten-ḥdas-par-smra-ba.

⁶⁴⁶) Btags-par-smra-ba (The Xyl. has: Brtag-par-smra-ba. — Mahāvaiṃsa V. 5 a. Paññattivādā).

⁶⁴⁷) Ḥod-sruṃs-sde. (Mahāvaiṃsa V. 9 a. — Kassapiyā; acc. to Tarkajvālā Tg. MDO. XIX. 162 b. 1. *Char-bzan-ḥbebs-pa ḥes-bya-ba-la kha-cig-ni Ḥod-sruṃs-pa ḥes zer-ba* —

⁶⁴⁸) Sa-sruṃs-sde (Ibid. V. 6 a, 8 a — Mahimsāsaka).

⁶⁴⁹) Chos-sruṃs-sde. (Ibid. V. 8 b. Dhammaguttika).

⁶⁵⁰) Maṃ-thos (Ibid. V. 5 a — Bahulikā. Cf. note).

⁶⁵¹) Dmar-slob-ma. ⁶⁵²) Rgyal-byed-tshal-gnas.

⁶⁵³) Hjiçs-byed-gnas. ⁶⁵⁴) Gtsug-lag-khañ-chen.

⁶⁵⁵) Sa-sgrags. ⁶⁵⁶) Sruṃ-pa-pa. ⁶⁵⁷) Gnas-maḥi-bu.

⁶⁵⁸) Kun-gyis-bkur-ba.

⁶⁵⁹) Tg. MDO. LXXXIX. 74 b. 6—75 a. 2. (N.)

language of the higher classes), represent the foundation (*mūla*) for the tradition of the other sects. For this reason they are called the Mūla-Sarvāstivādins. Their teacher was Rāhulabhadra⁶⁶⁰) of the Kṣatriya caste, renowned for his devotion to the (3) Disciplines. Their language was the Sanskrit, they wore a mantle which had from 25 to 29 fringes, and their badges were an Utpala flower, a lotus, a jewel, and the leaf of a tree.

The Mahāsaṃghikas were called so, since they were the clergy (Saṃgha), the greater part of which (mahā) was constituted by them. Their teacher was Mahākācyapa, a Brāhmaṇa great in his practice of the 12 virtues of an ascetic⁶⁶¹). Their language was the Prakrit, they wore from 23 to 27 fringes, and their badge was a conch-shell.

The Saṃmitiya received this name, as they taught the theories expounded by a teacher who was revered by a great number of people. Their teacher was Upāli of Īndra caste, great in his observance of the Vinaya. Their language was the Apabhraṃṣa, the number of fringes (on their mantles) was from 21 to 25, and their badge was the Sorcika flower.

The Sthaviras bore this name, since they maintained to belong to the spiritual descent of the Sthavira Saints. Their chief preceptor was Kātyāyana of the Vaiçya caste, renowned for his converting the borderland. They spoke an intermediate dialect and their fringes and badge were known to be similar to those of the Saṃmitiya. According to some the language of the Mahāsaṃghikas was the intermediate dialect, that of the Saṃmitiya was the Prakrit, and that of the Sthaviras — the Apabhraṃṣa.

We have thus a great difference in the views of these 18 sects, but nevertheless all belong to the Church of Buddha. It is accordingly said: — It is only owing to the difference in the views that this division (into the 18 sects) has been caused. But as to different teachers, there are none⁶⁶²).

And: — The Teaching of the Lion of the Čākyas has become split into the 18 sects. This has been conditioned by the previous acts of this Teacher of the World^{662a}). [101 a.]

⁶⁶⁰) Sgra-can-zin-bzan-po.

⁶⁶¹) *sbyaṅs-paḥi-yon-tan* = *dhūta-guṇa*.

⁶⁶²) In the sense that there are no different founders of the Teaching. This passage is a quotation from the Varṣāgra-prcchā. Tg. MDO. LXXXIX. 74 b. 7. (N.)

^{662a}) Ibid. 75 a. 2—3.

In such a way the Teaching was rehearsed for a 3d time. Thereafter, as the ordinary people who were not possessed of a good memory, recited Scripture incorrectly, making omissions and interpolations, — the Word of Buddha was written down in books, in order to prevent its corruption. Till that time it was recited by heart, and no written texts of it existed. According to some this is not correct, since in the *Mañjuçrī-mūla-tantra*⁶⁶³) it is said: — The son of Ajātaśatru called Upa shall cause the Word of Buddha to be written down. It is said moreover in the *Vimalaprabhā*⁶⁶⁴): — After the Lord had passed away into Nirvāṇa, the compilers wrote down the Teachings of the 3 Vehicles in books.

IV. Acc₁ b₂ c₃ a₄ b₅. The Rehearsal of the Mahāyānistic Scripture.

Tradition says that on the mountain called Vimalasvabhāva, to the south of Rājagṛha, in the assembly of a million of Bodhisattvas, — Mañjuçrī rehearsed the Abhidharma, Maitreya — the Vinaya, and Vajrapāṇi — the Sūtras. It is said moreover in the *Tarkajvālā*⁶⁶⁵): — The Mahāyānistic Scripture is the Word of Buddha. The chief Compilers of it were Samantabhadra, Mañjuçrī, the Lord of the secret charms⁶⁶⁶), Maitreya, and others. The Črāvakas were not the chief compilers of our (Mahāyānistic) kanon, since the latter is not accessible to them. — In the *Commentary on the 3 Prajñāpāramitā-sūtras*⁶⁶⁷) it is said that according to the *Tathāgata-acintya-guhyā-nirdeça*⁶⁶⁸) Vajrapāṇi is to be the compiler of the Teachings of the 1000 Buddhas (that are to arise in the fortunate aeon). In the *Vajrapāṇy-abhiṣeka-tantra* likewise Vajrapāṇi is spoken of as the compiler (of Mahāyānistic Scripture) [101 b.]. Accordingly, it is admitted that it was he who rehearsed

⁶⁶³) Kg. RGYUD XI. 442 a. 1—2. (N.)

⁶⁶⁴) Tg. RGYUD I.

⁶⁶⁵) Tg. MDO. XIX. 180 a. 2—4.

⁶⁶⁶) Gsañ-baḥi-bdag-po = Guhyaka-adhipati i. e. Vajrapāṇi.

⁶⁶⁷) Tg. MDO. XIV. This passage is to be found in Haribhadra's Abhisamayālaṃkāra-lokā, MS. Minaev, 5 b. 14—6 a. 5. — *Tathāgata-guhyā-nirdeça-adhikāreṇa sarvathā bhādrakalpika-sarva-tathāgatānām rūpa-kāya-saddharma-kāya-rakṣāyām kṛta-adhikaratvād Vajrapāṇy-abhiṣekādaḥ pratyarpita-çāsanatvāc ca anyeṣāṃ viçeṣa-vacana abhāvād Atakavati-nivāsi daçabhūmiçvaro Mahāvajradhūrah sarva-loka-anugrahāya Prajñāpāramitā-sūtra-ratna-saṃgītīm pratyadhiṣṭavantaḥ Ārya-Maitreyādi-mahābodhisattva-gaṇam evaṃ ityādy āha iti pūrvacāryāḥ.*

⁶⁶⁸) Cf. Vol. I. p. 97, note 845.

(this Scripture), reciting it to Maitreya and the rest in the form: — This have I heard, — and so on.

IV. Acc₁ b₂ c₃ b₄. The Existence of the Doctrine.

Here we distinguish:

- a₅) The period of time during which the Teaching is to exist.
- b₅) The prophecies concerning the persons who appeared during that time and preserved the Doctrine.
- c₅) The acts performed by these persons who were foretold (by the Buddha).

IV. Acc₁ b₂ c₃ b₄ a₅. The Time of Existence of the Doctrine.

Some authorities versed in the Vinaya say that, according to the *Vinaya-kṣudraka*, the Doctrine was to have an existence of 7000 years. Owing to the admission of Prajāpati into the religious order, this time was diminished for 2000 years, so that the whole time of the duration of the Doctrine is to be 5000 years. This statement disagrees (with the text referred to), for in the *Vinaya-kṣudraka* it is said that the Doctrine is to exist for 1000 years. In the *Bhadrakalpika-sūtra*⁶⁶⁹ we read that the (real) Doctrine is to have a duration of 500 years and the next 500 there will be only a resemblance of it, — so that altogether it is to exist 1000 years. In the Commentary on the *Abhidharma-sūtra*, in the story of *Suvarṇākṣamāla* we read: — O king, in thy dream thou hast seen that a multitude of people assembled, spoke, used abominable words, quarrelled and did harm to each other. — This is an omen that the Teaching of the Buddha Čākyamuni which is to exist 1000 years will finally disappear, owing to the evil teachings and disunion. In the *Abhidharmakośabhāṣya* it is said: — They say that (the precepts of the Doctrine) are to exist for 1000 years. According to others this refers to the Doctrine viewed as the practice⁶⁷⁰, but the theoretical part⁶⁷¹ is to have an existence longer than that. — Thus (the *Abhidharmakośabhāṣya*) likewise speaks of 1000 years. The Sūtra on the gratitude of the Buddha⁶⁷² says: — If the Lord permits that women enter his Congregation, the Highest Doctrine will cease to exist 500 years earlier (than it would otherwise). There-

⁶⁶⁹ Ibid. p. 98, note 909. ⁶⁷⁰ *rtogs-paḥi-chos* = *adhigama-dharma*.

⁶⁷¹ *luṅ-gi-chos* = *āgama-dharma*.

⁶⁷² Drin-lan-bsab-pa. Kg. MDO. XXXII. 161 a. 4—5.

fore the Lord must not allow women to enter the Congregation of the Buddha. — It is thus said that, owing to the admission of women into the religious order, the time of duration of the Doctrine has been diminished for 500 years. [102 a.] It is said in the Commentary on the *Akṣayamatīnirdeśa*⁶⁷³ in the passage explaining the sentence “in the subsequent period, that of the last 500 years”, — as follows: — If we take the life-time of man which lasts 100 years, — the first 50 years will be the period of development. During that time the body, mind, and energy will be in a state of growth and progress. After these 50 years have passed away, the following 50 years will represent the period during which body, mind, and energy are subjected to decrease and become diminished. In a similar manner the Teaching of the Buddha Čākyamuni is to abide in Jambudvīpa for 1000 years during which it will bring fruit and become propagated. If we divide (this period) into 2 equal parts, the first 500 years will represent “the period of development”, and the latter 500 we shall have to call “the period of regress”.

Otherwise, it is said in the *Candragarbha-sūtra*⁶⁷⁴: — After I have passed away into Nirvāṇa, a resemblance of the Highest Doctrine will exist for 2000 years. And in the *Karuṇā-puṇḍarīka*⁶⁷⁵: — May, after I have passed away into Nirvāṇa, the Highest Doctrine exist for 1000 years. And (after that), may a resemblance of the Highest Doctrine exist for 500 years more. Thus, (according to these sūtras), the period of existence of the Doctrine is indicated as being equal to 500 years. In the Commentary on the *Vajracchedikā*^{676a} it is said: The meaning of “the last 500 years” is as follows: — 5 periods of 500 years are meant here. It is said that the Teaching of the Lord is to exist during these 5 periods. The last of these is accordingly indicated here. In the *Munimatālamkāra*^{676b} it is said: — Some are of the opinion that the Highest Doctrine of the Buddha Čākyamuni is to exist for 5 times 500 years. According to these texts the period of duration (of the Doctrine) is to be 2500 years. In the Commentary to the 3 *Prajñāpāramitā-sūtras*⁶⁷⁷ it is said: — The Teaching is to exist for 5000 years. If we divide

⁶⁷³ Tg. MDO. XXXV. 307 b. 3—6. (N.)

⁶⁷⁴ Kg. MDO. XXXII.. Cf. below.

⁶⁷⁵ Kg. MDO. VI. 352 b. 2—3. (N.) ^{676a} Tg. MDO. XVI. 234 a. 1—2. (N.)

^{676b} Tg. MDO. XXIX. 366 a. 1—3. (N.)

⁶⁷⁷ Tg. MDO. XIV 232 b. 1—7. (N.)

each thousand of years into 2 equal parts [102b.], we shall have altogether 10 periods which are called "the 10 Chapters". In the 1st, the 2^d, and 3^d of these periods of 500 years respectively many Arhats, Saints who have attained the 3^d Result⁶⁷⁸), and such who have entered the Stream⁶⁷⁹) are to appear. In accordance with this, the said periods are called "the Chapter of the Arhats"⁶⁸⁰), "the Chapter of those who do not return into the World"⁶⁸¹), and "the Chapter of those who have entered the stream"⁶⁸²). These 3 are called the "Chapters of Cognition"⁶⁸³).

Thereafter, during the 4th, the 5th, and the 6th period of 500 years many Saints endowed, respectively, with Highest Transcendental Perception⁶⁸⁴), with Concentration of Mind and with Highest Morality are to appear. Accordingly, we have "the Chapter of Transcendental Perception"⁶⁸⁵), "the Chapter of Mind-concentration"⁶⁸⁶), and "the Chapter of Highest Morality"⁶⁸⁷), or "the 3 Chapters of Saintly Activity"⁶⁸⁸).

Then, in the 7th, the 8th and the 9th period, many teachers versed, respectively, in the Abhidharma, the Sūtras and the Vinaya are to arise. These periods are accordingly to be called "the Chapter of the Abhidharma"⁶⁸⁹), "the Chapter of the Sūtras"⁶⁹⁰), and "the Chapter of the Vinaya"⁶⁹¹). These three are "the Chapters of the Theoretical Doctrine"⁶⁹²). The 10th period of 500 years is called "the Chapter of the mere outward marks"⁶⁹³), since (the monks) will bear only the external signs of the religious order, but will not be characterized by the corresponding views, conduct, and internal constitution. It is this period which is spoken of as "the last 500 years". The teacher Mañjuçrikīrti⁶⁹⁴) mentions the 3 periods of Cognition, the 3 periods of Activity, the 3 periods of the Theoretical Doctrine and the period of the mere outward marks. The first of these are likewise called "the periods of the Results of Saintliness"⁶⁹⁵). It is said moreover in

⁶⁷⁸) *phyir-mi-ḥoñ-baḥi ḥbras-bu* = *anāgāmi-phala*.

⁶⁷⁹) *rgyun-du-ḥugs-pa* = *srota-āpanna*.

⁶⁸⁰) *dgra-bcom-paḥi leḥu*.

⁶⁸¹) *phyir-mi-ḥoñ-baḥi leḥu*. ⁶⁸²) *rgyun-du-ḥugs-paḥi leḥu*.

⁶⁸³) *khoñ-du-chud-paḥi leḥu gsum*. ⁶⁸⁴) *lhag-mthoñ* = *vipaṣyanā*.

⁶⁸⁵) *lhag-mihoñ-gi leḥu*. ⁶⁸⁶) *tiñ-ñe-ḥdzin-gyi leḥu*.

⁶⁸⁷) *tshul-khrims-kyi leḥu*. ⁶⁸⁸) *sgrub-paḥi leḥu gsum*.

⁶⁸⁹) *mñon-paḥi leḥu*. ⁶⁹⁰) *mdo-sdeḥi leḥu*. ⁶⁹¹) *ḥdul-baḥi leḥu*.

⁶⁹²) *luñ-gi leḥu gsum*. ⁶⁹³) *rtags-tsam-ḥdzin-paḥi leḥu*.

⁶⁹⁴) *Hjam-dpal-grags-pa*. ⁶⁹⁵) *ḥbras-buḥi dus*.

the story of the venerable Nandimitra⁶⁹⁶): — Up to the time when the age of the human beings in Jambudvīpa will increase from 10 to 600 years, the Teaching of the Lord Čākyamuni is to exist. Now, it is clear that the indications of 1000, 1500, 2000, and 2500 years are of a conventional meaning⁶⁹⁷). [103 a.] In the case of these a special point has been taken into consideration, viz. the deterioration of activity and the like. It is said accordingly in the *Mu-nimatālamkāra*⁶⁹⁸): — The "cessation" of the Highest Doctrine" means the deterioration of the saintly activity. In the Commentary on the *Vajracchedikā*^{698a}) we have it explained as follows: — The destruction of the Highest Doctrine means the deterioration of it as regards devotion, reading, recitation, instruction, explanation, study, investigation, etc. The aim (of such indirect indications) was to arouse in the converts aversion (toward this worldly existence). They are in conflict with the true state of things. Indeed, they disagree with the prophecies concerning the brothers Asanga (and Vasubandhu) and with the prophecy delivered to the goddess Vimalaprabhā⁶⁹⁹), where it is said: — 2500 years after I have passed away into Nirvāṇa, the Highest Doctrine will become spread in the country of the red-faced (people). In the Sub-commentary on the *Abhidharmakośa*⁷⁰⁰) we read: — That the theoretical Doctrine⁷⁰¹) is to have a long existence means that its duration will be even longer than 1000 years. This is to be regarded as correct. — (The statement) that (the Doctrine) is to exist for 5000 years we esteem to be of direct meaning⁷⁰²). Now there arises the question, as to how many years (of these 5000) have elapsed till now. The Master⁷⁰³) (Atiça) is of the opinion that the Teacher became conceived in the womb in the male-wooden-mouse-year and was born in the year of the wooden cow. In the male-earth-pig-year he became a Buddha, and in the last month of the male-wooden-monkey-year, at the time of the ascending moon, he passed away into Nirvāṇa.

⁶⁹⁶) *Hphags-pa Dgaḥ-baḥi-bḥes-gñen-gyi rtogs-brjod*.

⁶⁹⁷) *drañ-don* = *neyārtha*.

⁶⁹⁸) Tg. MDO. XXIX. 336 a. 3. (N.).

^{698a}) Tg. MDO. XVI. 234 a. 2—3. (N.).

⁶⁹⁹) *Lha-mo Dri-ma-med-paḥi luñ-bstan*.

⁷⁰⁰) *Mdzod-kyi ḥgrel-bḥad*. ⁷⁰¹) *luñ-gi-chos* = *āgama-dharma*.

⁷⁰²) *ñes-don* = *nītārtha*. The tradition that the Teaching of Buddha is to exist for 5000 years is to be found in the Mahāvaiṣṇa, III. 38. — *Mahākassapa-thereṇa idaṃ sugata-sāsanam / pañca-vassa-sahassāni samattham vattane kataṃ* //

⁷⁰³) *Jo-bo-rje*.

According to the Sa-kya hierarch⁷⁰⁴) the Buddha was conceived in the womb in the female-fire-hare-year, was born in that of the male-earth-dragon, became a Buddha in that of the male-water-tiger, and passed away in the female-fire-pig-year, on the 8th of the ascending moon in the last month of spring or the last month of autumn. Now, 137 years after the teacher had passed away, there appeared the king Nandin⁷⁰⁵), 108⁷⁰⁶) years after, — the king Candragupta⁷⁰⁷). [103 b.] Then, 231 years after there appeared the king Bhūritejaś(?)⁷⁰⁸) and, from 724 to 814 years after him — the king Aṃṣuvarman⁷⁰⁹) in Nepal. Then, 242 years after there appeared the Tibetan king Ṭhi-tsug-de-tan Ral-pa-can⁷¹⁰). Thus, up to this time, 2955 years have passed away (since the death of the Buddha), as we have it correctly counted by the Indian and Nepalese calculators and by the Tibetan kings likewise. Nam-kha of the Chimpa tribe⁷¹¹), in accordance with the point of view of the Master (Atiṣa), considers that in the year of the female fire-serpent 3393 years have passed away since the death of the Buddha. Accordingly, he is of the opinion that 3458 years have passed away up to the year of the male-water-dog.

According to the school which maintains (that the Buddha was born) in the year of the dragon, i. e. the calculation of Sa-kya-paṇḍita, made at the time when, in the year of the male-fire-mouse, the departure of the venerable Kirtidhvaja into Nirvāṇa was celebrated, — 3349 years had passed away (after the Buddha's departure into Nirvāṇa). Thereafter in the year of the fire-cow, at the time of the installation of the prayer-wheel moved by water, the Lama Chö-gyal⁷¹²) has counted 3410 years. Accordingly up to the male-water-dog-year, when the Lama Matigri Kun-gā-lo-dö-gyal-tshan-pal-zañ-po⁷¹³) came to Tibet in order to become ordained, — 3455 years had passed away and the 3456th year (of the Doctrine) was lasting. Thus, (at that time) 6 periods of 500 years, representing the Chapters of the Result of the Saintly Activity and, in the "Chapters of the Theoretical Doctrine", —

⁷⁰⁴) Chos-rje Sa-skyā. ⁷⁰⁵) Dgañ-byed.

⁷⁰⁶) One must evidently correct *brgya-brgyad* for *brgyad-brgya*.

⁷⁰⁷) Zla-sruñ. Usually Zla-ba-sbas-pa.

⁷⁰⁸) Brjid-mañs. ⁷⁰⁹) Hod-zer-go-cha.

⁷¹⁰) Khri-gtsug-lde-btsan ral-pa-can.

⁷¹¹) Mchims Nam-mkhañ. ⁷¹²) Chos-rgyal.

⁷¹³) Kun-dgañ-blo-gros-rgyal-mtshan-dpal-bzañ-po.

455 years of "the Chapter of the Abhidharma". Accordingly, there remain 45 years of this latter Chapter and 3 periods, representing, respectively, the Chapters of the Sūtras, the Vinaya, and the mere outward marks, thus altogether 1545 years.

According to the calculations made by the Kashmirian Čākyaçri in the male-wooden-mouse-year at Ṭho-pu [104 a.] and in the year of the female-fire-hare at Sol-nag-thaṅ-chen —

At midnight on the 8th of the bright half of Kārtika⁷¹⁴),
When the moon set behind the mountain,
The Lord of Sages passed away into Nirvāṇa.
And after that, one thousand
Seven hundred and fifty years,
Two months and half-a-month,
And 10 days more have passed away.
There are thus three thousand
Two hundred and forty-nine years,
Nine months, and ten days

That remain for the Doctrine to exist in future. —

According to the point of view of those who count (the time of the Buddha's attainment of Nirvāṇa) to have been the 5th of the middle-month of spring in the year of the fire-hare, and according to the tradition of the Sa-kya which counts from the male-iron-horse-year, — 1865 years have passed away up to the year of the male-water-dog. The Sa-kya hierarch says: — This point of view has its origin in India. The Saindhava Črāvakas used every evening, during their religious service, to count: — So many years have passed away since the death of the Teacher. In such a way did they count. But, (subsequently) different errors were made in counting the seasons. This dates from the time when the teachers Udbhaṭasiddhisvāmin⁷¹⁵) and Čaṃkarasvāmin⁷¹⁶) became possessed of the intention of making an image of the Mahābodhi at Magadha, and when the latter itself arose from a pile of sandal-wood instead. It was thus the custom to count: — "So many years have passed away since the death of the Teacher". — The Paṇḍits of India, Kashmir, and Nepal in general follow this method, but owing to the errors that have crept in, it is not to be regarded as authoritative. Indeed, it proves to be incorrect, if we compare it with the

⁷¹⁴) *smin-drug*. ⁷¹⁵) Mtho-btsun-grub-rje. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 64.

⁷¹⁶) Bde-byed-bdag-po. Schiefner has Čaṃkarapati.

prophecy delivered to the goddess Vimalaprabhā, where "the country of the red-faced" that has been mentioned is no other than Tibet, with the number of years indicated in the prophecy concerning Nāgārjuna and others, and with the chronology of the Tibetan kings etc. According to the opinion of Rba "the country of the red-faced" means China.

Some authorities say [104 b.] that, according to the Kālacakra, up to the male-water-dog-year 1613 years have passed away, and that 187 years remain (for the Doctrine to exist). Such a statement shows a total ignorance of the true meaning of the Kālacakra.

Others say that, according to the point of view of Kamalaçila, 2040 years have elapsed and that 460 remain. I myself have not seen any authoritative source confirming this. Therefore (in order to refute these incorrect statements) it is necessary to know that, according to the teaching contained in the chief Tantra of the Kālacakra system, up to the male-water-dog-year, 2198 years have passed away. I am of the opinion that the statement according to which (the Doctrine) is to exist up to the time when human age will be 600 years, refers to (the existence of) the monuments containing the relics (of the Buddha), etc.

IV. Acc₁b₂c₃b₄b₅. The Prophecies concerning the Persons who worked for the Sake of the Doctrine.

Kāçyapa, Ānanda, Çānavāsika,

Upagupta, Dhītika, Kṛṣṇa,

And Mahāsudarçana, — these are the 7 hierarchs⁷¹⁷

Who are mentioned in the *Vinayakṣudraka*.

In the *Lankāvatāra* we read⁷¹⁸: — Who is to be the guardian of the Doctrine, after the Lord has passed away into Nirvāṇa? — This and the following is explained in the Commentary⁷¹⁹ as follows: — The succession of the hierarchs from the Buddha himself up to Dhītika is the same as in the Vinaya. (Dhītika) confined the Doctrine to the care of Bibhaka; then it was successively transferred to the venerable Buddhananda⁷²⁰, Buddhāmītra, to the monk Pārçva⁷²¹, the pupil of the latter, and then to Sunaçata,

⁷¹⁷ *glad-rabs bdun*. ⁷¹⁸ Ed. Bunyiu Nanjio. p. 28. — *nirvṛtte sugate ko 'sau çāsanam dhārayiṣyati*.

⁷¹⁹ Not to be found in the 2 Commentaries contained in Tg. MDO XLII and XLIII. ⁷²⁰ Xyl. Buddhananti. ⁷²¹ Rtsibs.

Açvaghōṣa⁷²²), Amṛta⁷²³), Nāgārjuna, Āryadeva, Bāhula, Saṁgha-nanda, the monk Arhat, Ghalaça, Kumārada, Çāyanta, Vasubandhu Manoda, Haklenayaças⁷²⁴) and to the monk Simha. It is said in the *Mahākaruṇāpuṇḍarīka*⁷²⁵) in answer to the question: Who is to be the guardian of the Doctrine after the Teacher has passed away? — O Ānanda, the monk Kāçyapa [105 a.] and thyself, ye two are to guard the Highest Doctrine for 40 years and more⁷²⁶). — Then, in the city of Mathurā⁷²⁷) on the mountains Gandhamadana⁷²⁸) and Mahāpārçva⁷²⁹), in the grove called Pankavati⁷³⁰) there is to appear the monk called Çlanavāsa⁷³¹), and, in the same place, the monk Nandin⁷³²). — On the mountain Uçira there are to appear 44 000 monks⁷³³). — In the city of Pāṭaliputra, in the Mārgārāma, there will be a monk called Açvaguṇḍa⁷³⁴) and in the same city, in the grove of the ducks, — the monk called Uttara⁷³⁵). — In the country of Anga⁷³⁶), during the 5 years' feast 13 000 Arhats are to arise⁷³⁷). — In the city called Survarṇadrona⁷³⁸), 2 monks called Vijña⁷³⁹) and Saṁjaya⁷⁴⁰), in the city of Sāketana⁷⁴¹), — the monk Mahāvīrya⁷⁴²) and on the northern border-land of Gandhāra⁷⁴³), — the monk Kāçyapa, — are to appear⁷⁴⁴). All these monks are to be greatly renowned for their miraculous achievements, their great power and faculties. They are to be praised as being possessed of intrepidity and greatly learned, mastering the Sūtras, the Vinaya, and the Abhidharma, teaching correctly and being like ships that conduce others to the apprehension (of the Doctrine). These are to be the propagators of my Teaching.

On the northern border-land, in the city of Takṣaṣilā⁷⁴⁵), a

⁷²² Rta-skad. ⁷²³ Ma-çi-ba.

⁷²⁴ Xyl. Ha-ka-la-ka-na-ya-na-ça (?).

⁷²⁵ Kg. MDO. VI. The passage quoted is rendered in an abridged form.

⁷²⁶ Kg. MDO. VI. 109 b. 4. sqq. ⁷²⁷ Bcom-brlag.

⁷²⁸ Ri-sbo. ⁷²⁹ Nos-che. ⁷³⁰ Hdam-bu-can.

⁷³¹ Yul-slan-pa. Kg. MDO. VI. 113 a. 2—6. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 4 and 51.

⁷³² Dgaḥ-ba-can. Kg. MDO. VI. 113 a. 6—b. 1.

⁷³³ Ibid. 113 b. 1—5. ⁷³⁴ Rta-sbas. Ibid. 114 a. 3—5.

⁷³⁵ Bla-ma. Ibid. 114 a. 5—7. ⁷³⁶ Yul Yan-lag-tu.

⁷³⁷ Ibid. 114 b. 1—5. ⁷³⁸ Gser-gyi-bre. ⁷³⁹ Mkhas-pa.

⁷⁴⁰ Yaṇ-dag-par-rgyal-ba-can. Ibid. 114 b. 5—7. ⁷⁴¹ Gnas-bcas.

⁷⁴² Brtson-hgrus-che. Ibid. 114 b. 7—115 a. 1.

⁷⁴³ Sbos-hdzin. ⁷⁴⁴ Ibid. 11. a. 3—6. ⁷⁴⁵ Rdo-hjog.

householder named Jātanika⁷⁴⁶) will appear. He will pay homage to my body and my disciples and, after 1000 aeons, in the age of good luck, in the world called Mahāvūhasvalamkṛta⁷⁴⁷), he is to become the Buddha Samantaprabha⁷⁴⁸).

In the north, in the palace called Vistaravati⁷⁴⁹), many Brāhmaṇas and householders devoted to the Doctrine are to appear. These, after their death, are to be reborn in Tuṣita. The monks at that time, for the greater part, will not act according to the Doctrine and fall into error⁷⁵⁰). [105 b.] And in that place a devotee of the laity called Dharmavardhana⁷⁵¹) possessed of miraculous powers will likewise appear⁷⁵²). In the north, moreover, a Mahāyānist monk called Jivaka⁷⁵³) will arise. He will restore the monuments of the Buddha that will have undergone destruction, and richly decorate them with gold and the like. After his death he is to be reborn in Sukhavatī⁷⁵⁴). —

In the border-woodland, in the royal palace called “the Peaceful” the king named Agnidatta⁷⁵⁵) is to worship the relics and the disciples of the Buddha. In that country more than 3000 Arhats are to arise⁷⁵⁶). In the northern border-land, in the village Hīṅgala⁷⁵⁷) the teeth of the Buddha will be greatly worshipped and many monks endowed with the highest morality will appear and attain all of them Nirvāṇa by the paths of the 3 Vehicles. These all will cause my Teaching to become widely spread. Do not therefore be grieved!⁷⁵⁸) —

In the *Lankāvatāra* it is said⁷⁵⁹): —

In the southern country of Vedālya,
A monk glorious and greatly renowned,
Whose name is sounded Nāga,
Will put an end to the extremities of Ens and Non-ens,
And after he has expounded in this world
My Teaching as that of the Great Vehicle,
Higher than which there is none,

⁷⁴⁶) Ral-pa-can. ⁷⁴⁷) Bkod-pa-chen-pos-legs-par-brgyan-pa.

⁷⁴⁸) Kun-tu-snañ-ba Kg. MDO. VI. 115 a. 6—b. 4. ⁷⁴⁹) Rgyas-ldan.

⁷⁵⁰) Ibid. 115 b. 5—116 a. 3. sqq. ⁷⁵¹) Chos-ḥphel.

⁷⁵²) Ibid. 117 b. 2. sqq. ⁷⁵³) Ḥtsho-byed. ⁷⁵⁴) Ibid. 117 b. 6—118 a. 5.

⁷⁵⁵) Mes-byin. ⁷⁵⁶) Ibid. 118 a. 7—b. 3. ⁷⁵⁷) Čiñ-kun-skye-ba.

⁷⁵⁸) Kg. MDO. VI. 118 b. 5—119 a. 7.

⁷⁵⁹) Ed. Bunyiu Nanjio, p. 286. — *daśiṇā-patha-Vedālyāṃ bhikṣuḥ ḥṛimān mahāyaçāḥ Nāgāhvayaḥ sa nāmnā tu sad-asat-pakṣa-dāraḥ*, etc.

He will secure the Stage of Perfect Bliss⁷⁶⁰),
And pass away into the region of Sukhavatī.

And in the *Mañjuḥrīmūlatantra*⁷⁶¹) we read: —

After I, the Buddha, have passed away,
Four hundred years are to elapse,
And then a monk called Nāga will appear.
He will be devoted to the Doctrine,
And administer great help to it.
He will attain the Stage of Perfect Bliss,
Live for six hundred years,
And the mystic knowledge of the Mahāmayūri⁷⁶²)
Will be secured by that great being.
He will know the subjects of the different sciences,
And expound the Teaching of Non-substantiality.
And, after he has cast away this bodily frame,
He will be reborn in the region of Sukhavatī.
And, finally the state of Buddhahood
Is to be certainly attained by him.

Such is the prophecy concerning Nāgārjuna. —

We read moreover⁷⁶³): —

A monk bearing the name of Asanga, [106 a.]
Well versed in the meaning of the scientific treatises,
Will, in different forms, explain
The conventional and the direct meaning of the Sūtras.
By his nature he is to be one
Who teaches the Sublime Science to the living beings,
And reveals the meaning of the Sacred Texts.
He is to secure that mystic knowledge
Which is called the Female Messenger of Sala⁷⁶⁴) (?)
And, by the force of his magic charms,
The most sublime wisdom is to arise in him.
In order that the Doctrine should abide for long,
He will rehearse the essential meaning of the Sūtras.

⁷⁶⁰) *rab-tu-dgaḥ-baḥi-sa* = *pramuditā-bhūmi* — the first Stage of the Bodhisattva.

⁷⁶¹) Ḥjam-dpal-rtsa-rgyud, Kg. RGYUD. XI. 450 a. 5—6.

⁷⁶²) Rma-rgya-chen-mo.

⁷⁶³) *Mañjuḥrīmūlatantra*, Kg. RGYUD. XI. 450 a. 6—b. 2.

⁷⁶⁴) Sa-laḥi-pho-fla-mo.

He is to live one hundred and fifty years,
And, after his body will have withered away,
He is to depart into the region of the gods.
Abiding in the world of the living beings,
In the various stages of Phenomenal Life,
He will for a long time experience the Highest Felicity.
And finally, this elevated being
Is to attain Supreme Enlightenment.

This is the prophecy regarding Asanga. — (The text quoted is sometimes proceeded by the verse): —

When nine hundred years have passed away
After I have attained Nirvāṇa. —

This is not to be found in the Tantra, but has been added by the Chinese Teacher Dzog-sal⁷⁶⁵) in his Commentary to the *Sam-dhinirmocana*.

At the time which is to come
A monk called Arhat is to appear,
He is to know the meaning of the secret charms,
Become versed in the Tantras and greatly learned.
By uttering the charm of the Yakṣas,
He will secure a precious vessel.

In such a manner (the coming of) the monk called Arhat has been foretold⁷⁶⁶).

A monk possessed of great learning,
Is likewise to appear at that time.
And will be known by the surname
Of "the mother's servant"⁷⁶⁷).
He will compose hymns in my honour,
And, owing to his sublime virtues,
He will teach in accordance with the Truth.
His mind is to be perfectly serene,
He will be devoted to the Doctrine of the Buddhas,
Secure the secret charms that are hard to be obtained,
And which resemble those of Mañjuṣa.
Endowed with virtuous properties and with morality,
And being greatly learned, he is to expound the Doctrine.

⁷⁶⁵) Rdzogs-gsal.

⁷⁶⁶) Kg. RGYUD. XI. 450 b. 3 sqq.

⁷⁶⁷) Ma-khol.

These verses and following ending with:

And he is to attain the Enlightenment of the Omniscient, —
contain the prophecy concerning Mātṛceṭa⁷⁶⁸).

When the Word of the Teacher here on earth [106 b.]
Will become corrupted amongst the living beings at last,
Men, famed for their zeal in the religious observances, and
kings

Will appear, — there is no doubt in this, —

As, for instance, those who are known by the surname
Of "the Mother's Servant" and "the Flower"⁷⁶⁹).

One called Kumāra⁷⁷⁰) and one whose name begins with Ma
Will be attached to the Doctrine from the beginning to
the end.

There will be likewise one, known by the name of Nāgā-
hvaya⁷⁷¹),

One whose name is Ratnasambhava⁷⁷²),

One whose name begins with Ga, one called Kumāra⁷⁷³),

And one whose name begins with Ba

Are to investigate the Doctrine.

A high being with a name beginning with A

Will zealously maintain the precepts of the Teacher⁷⁷⁴).

(There will likewise appear one who will be)

Adorned with all the different virtues,

The initial letter of his name being La.

A king, belonging to the adherents of the Buddha,

Will elucidate the Doctrine of the Teacher⁷⁷⁵).

A monk, zealous in religious practice,

Whose name begins with the letter A is to appear

From amongst the Brāhmaṇas and enter the Doctrine.

He is to reside in the city of Sāketana⁷⁷⁶)

And is to live for eighty years⁷⁷⁷).

A monk whose name begins with A,

Is to appear in the southern country,

Endowed with wisdom, he will live 60 years,

And have his residence in the city of Kāṣī⁷⁷⁸).

⁷⁶⁸) Xyl. Maticitra. Kg. RGYUD. XI. 449 b. 2—450 a. 4.

⁷⁶⁹) Me-tog = Puṣpa. Ibid. 472 a. 2—3.

⁷⁷⁰) Gžon-nu.

⁷⁷¹) Klus-bos.

⁷⁷²) Rin-chen-hbyun.

⁷⁷³) Ibid. 470 a. 3—4.

⁷⁷⁴) Ibid. 472 a. 4—5.

⁷⁷⁵) Ibid. 472 a. 5—6.

⁷⁷⁶) Gnas-bcas.

⁷⁷⁷) Ibid. 472 a. 6.

⁷⁷⁸) Ibid. 472 a. 6—7.

A devotee whose name begins with Dha⁷⁷⁹)
 Will be greatly renowned in the southern district.
 He will refute all his opponents and adversaries,
 Be zealous in the religious observances,
 And secure the secret charms⁷⁸⁰).
 Moreover, a holy monk
 Will appear in the villages of Simhala
 And though not a Saint, he will bear the name of a Saint⁷⁸¹),
 And have his abode in the island of Simhala.
 He will refute all his opponents,
 And put to shame the charms of the heretics,
 This one is to appear at the end of a period
 Which is to be characterized by great fear⁷⁸²).
 The devotees who are called
 By their initial letters Da and La,
 And the monks who are said to take orders,
 With names that begin with Ra and Ba,
 Elucidating the Doctrine of the Teacher,
 Are to appear, there is no doubt in this⁷⁸³).
 During the reign of the king called Kṛṣṇa⁷⁸⁴),
 A devotee with the initial letter Ma is to appear.
 He is to abide in sanctuaries and hermitages, [107 a.]
 And in all the ponds and the wells likewise,
 The image of the Buddha will appear to him.
 And, there is no doubt in this,
 He will construct ships and bridges.
 And, after his body will have perished by the sword,
 He will depart to the celestial regions⁷⁸⁵).
 Thereafter, (men) whose names begin
 With the initial letters Sa and Ka,
 And, similarly, others, whose names are sounded,
 Beginning with the letters Ra and Gha,
 One whose initial letter is Ba,
 And those who are called Suvaktra⁷⁸⁶) and Sukha⁷⁸⁷)

⁷⁷⁹) This seems to be Dharmakīrti. ⁷⁸⁰) Ibid. 472 a. 7—b. 1.

⁷⁸¹) This is considered to refer to Āryadeva. Cf. below.

⁷⁸²) Ibid. 472 b. 1—2. ⁷⁸³) Ibid. 472 b. 2—3. ⁷⁸⁴) Nag-po.

⁷⁸⁵) Ibid. 472 b. 3—4. ⁷⁸⁶) Legs-bžin.

⁷⁸⁷) Legs-te-bde. The text of the Mañj.-mūla-tantra has Legs-te-sde =

Well-famed for their charity and their offerings,
 Refuting the teachings of adversaries,
 One who has been a merchant and the other — a physician, —

These two will perform diverse acts of charity⁷⁸⁸).
 A renowned devotee whose name begins with Ba,
 Another with the initial letter Ra,
 And one with a name beginning with Va, —
 These are to make the images of the Teacher⁷⁸⁹).
 A sage whose name begins with Ma,
 And similar devotees, possessed of faith are to appear.
 In many ways the devotees are mentioned,
 And an infinite number of them is to arise at that time⁷⁹⁰).
 And, famed as zealous in religious practice,
 They will likewise elucidate the Doctrine of the Teacher.
 And, at the time, when the Church, here on earth,
 Will be weakened and lose its splendour,
 Then they will create the images of the Buddha,
 Gladdening the heart, — there is no doubt in that.
 The prophecy of Enlightenment is granted to all of them:
 They shall attain Enlightenment as I have done⁷⁹¹).
 They are to receive the gifts of the worldly beings,
 Attain the end of worldly existence in the three Spheres,
 And, exhibiting great zeal in the magic charms and the
 Tantras,

They are to be possessed of great fame⁷⁹²).
 And now, I am to speak of those,
 Who, being possessed of the attributes of Brāhmaṇas,
 Will be zealous in the secret charms and the Tantras,
 And be acquainted with the customs of kings⁷⁹³).
 In those bad and disastrous times
 They will appear in all the different countries.
 An eminent Brāhmaṇa whose name begins with Ba
 Rich and perfectly knowing the Vedas, [107 b.]
 Will traverse all the countries without exception
 In the search of dispute and controversy.
 And, till the limits of the earth

⁷⁸⁸) Ibid. 472 b. 4—5. ⁷⁸⁹) Ibid. 472 b. 6. ⁷⁹⁰) Ibid. 472 b. 6—7.

⁷⁹¹) Ibid. 472 b. 7—473 a. 1. ⁷⁹²) Ibid. 473 a. 1—2.

⁷⁹³) Ibid. 473 a. 2—3.

Which is bordered by the 3 oceans,
Will indulge in disputes with the heretical opponents⁷⁹⁴).
And that which is the first and principal word
Which, owing to the desire of helping the living beings,
Has been uttered by the princely youth,
The charm of 6 syllables, — will be repeated by him⁷⁹⁵).
By means of this sublime proceeding,
He will help some and teach others.
Jaya⁷⁹⁶), Sujaya⁷⁹⁷), Yaçasvin⁷⁹⁸), Kalyāṇa⁷⁹⁹),
And then, Kulika⁸⁰⁰) and Dharmika⁸⁰¹),
Mahāvīrya⁸⁰²), and Suviṣṇu⁸⁰³),
Madhu⁸⁰⁴) and Madhubhadra⁸⁰⁵),
And, moreover, Siddha⁸⁰⁶) and Adarpa⁸⁰⁷),
Rāghava⁸⁰⁸), and Āudra⁸⁰⁹),
And in a like way another who is called Kācijāta⁸¹⁰).
Owing to the spell repeated by this youth,
These all are going to appear.
They all will be of a sublime character,
Possessed of wisdom and greatly learned⁸¹¹). —

And further on⁸¹²): —

A Brāhmaṇa whose name begins with Vi
In the city of Kusumapura
Is to propitiate the wrathful deities⁸¹³). —

Again⁸¹⁴): —

Thereupon a Brāhmaṇa greatly renowned,
With a name that begins with A,

⁷⁹⁴) Ibid. 473 a. 3—4. ⁷⁹⁵) Ibid. 473 a. 4—5.

⁷⁹⁶) Rgyal (-ba). Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha p. 4.

⁷⁹⁷) Legs-par-rgyal-ba. Ibid. ⁷⁹⁸) Grags-ldan.

⁷⁹⁹) Dge-ba. Ibid. ⁸⁰⁰) Rigs-ldan. Ibid. p. 5.

⁸⁰¹) Chos-dañ-ldan-pa. Ibid.

⁸⁰²) Brtson-ldan. Ibid. Cf. also Ibid. p. 68, note 6.

⁸⁰³) Legs-par-khyab-hjug. Ibid. p. 5. ⁸⁰⁴) Sbrañ-rtsi. Ibid.

⁸⁰⁵) Sbrañ-rtsi-bzañ-po. Ibid. Schiefner has Supramadhu.

⁸⁰⁶) Grub(-pa). Ibid. p. 4.

⁸⁰⁷) Dregs-bral. Ibid. The Xyl. has: Legs-bral.

⁸⁰⁸) Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 4.

⁸⁰⁹) Dmañs-rigs. Ibid. p. 5, note 1.

⁸¹⁰) Ka-çir-skyes-pa. Ibid. p. 5, note 6.

⁸¹¹) Mañjuçri-mūla-tantra, Kg. RGYUD. XI. 473 a. 5—7.

⁸¹²) Ibid. 473 a. 7—b 1. ⁸¹³) Khro-bo. ⁸¹⁴) Ibid 473 b. 3—4.

One who is virtuous and knows the Doctrine and its meaning,
Will speak the Truth and subdue the senses. —

Furthermore⁸¹⁵):

After that, (likewise) greatly famed,
A Brāhmaṇa investigating the meaning of the Doctrine,
And after him one, whose name commences with Ça
Is to appear in the Māla country. —

And⁸¹⁶): —

Thereupon there will be greatly renowned
A Brāhmaṇa who will appear in the southern district.
The initial letter of his name is Ba (or Va.)
It is he who will make the Teaching of the Lord predominant.
He is to abide in sanctuaries and hermitages,
And the delightful reflection of the form of the Lord
Will make him the ornament of all living beings
On this earth bordered by the 2 Oceans.
Thereupon, endowed with great fame,
A Brāhmaṇa possessed of great riches
Whose name begins with the letter Na,
Will have his abode in the southern district. [108 a.]
This high being will possess the knowledge of the secret
charms,

And will certainly attain Supreme Enlightenment⁸¹⁷). —

There are many who consider these two (last) prophecies to refer
to Vasubandhu and Dignāga, but they are both alike unsuitable.
Indeed, (these prophecies) are given quite apart from the religious
devotees (to whom both Vasubandhu and Dignāga belong). Neither
do we have (in the prophecies just quoted) the acts and the cha-
racteristic features (of both). —

I am now to-speak of those

Who are to appear in Central India.

There will be a Brāhmaṇa called Pūrṇabhadra⁸¹⁸),

Famed for discipline and pure morality.

Then, Pūrṇa⁸¹⁹) who is to reside at Mathurā,

And one whose name begins with Bha and Vasunetra⁸²⁰),

⁸¹⁵) Ibid. 473 b. 5. ⁸¹⁶) Ibid. 473 b. 7—474 a. 1.

⁸¹⁷) Ibid. 474 a. 1—2.

⁸¹⁸) Gañ-ba-bzañ. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha p. 5.

⁸¹⁹) Gañ-ba. Ibid. ⁸²⁰) Nor-gyi-spyan. Ibid.

Who are to be praised and revered by kings.
The Brāhmaṇas thus indicated
Will pay homage to the Teaching of the Buddha⁸²¹). —

We have moreover⁸²²): —

On the border of the woodland
That is near to the eastern ocean,
A Sage, one of the Lohitas, and another
In the north, in the country of snow, — etc.

Some consider that this is an indication of the Great Translator who was born in Ya-brog⁸²³). But, as (this prophecy) is contained in that section which refers to kings, — this must be accurately investigated. —

In connection with this prophecy it is said⁸²⁴): —

In the west, in the delightful region of Kāçī,
And in the country called Mūrdhāna,
There is to appear a king
Whose name will be Pañcamasimha⁸²⁵). —

We have moreover the following⁸²⁶): — One hundred years after the Teacher will have passed away, in the city of Kusumapura there will appear the king Açoka who will live 150 years and worship the monuments of the Buddha during 87 years⁸²⁷). After him, the king named Vigataçoka⁸²⁸) will worship these monuments for 76 years⁸²⁹). Thereafter, the king Virasena^{829a}) will rule for 70 years⁸³⁰) and will be succeeded by the king Nanda⁸³¹). The latter's reign will dure 56 years⁸³²) and his friend will be the Brāhmaṇa Pāṇini⁸³³). Then there will appear the king Candragupta [108 b.]⁸³⁴), and after him his son called Bindusāra⁸³⁵) who will

⁸²¹) Mañjuçrī-mūla-tantra. Kg. RGYUD. XI. 474 a. 3—4.

⁸²²) Ibid. 462 b. 6—7. ⁸²³) Ya-ḥbrog. ⁸²⁴) Ibid. 462 b. 7.

⁸²⁵) Seṅ-ge-lña.

⁸²⁶) The following passages represent likewise a prophecy of the Mañjuçrī-mūla-tantra which is rendered by Bu-ton in prose.

⁸²⁷) Ibid. 443 a. 6 sqq.

⁸²⁸) Mya-ñan-bral. The Xyl. of Bu-ton's text has Mya-ñan-med-bral = Vigatāçoka. In such a form this name appears likewise in Tārānātha. Mañjuçrī-mūla-tantra, Kg. RGYUD. XI. 446 a. 5 sqq.

⁸²⁹) Ibid. 446 a. 7. ^{829a}) Dpaḥ-boḥi-sde.

⁸³⁰) Ibid. 446 b. 1—4. ⁸³¹) Dgaḥ-bo. Ibid. 446 b. 4.

⁸³²) Ibid. 447 a. 7. ⁸³³) Ibid. 447 a. 7—b 1.

⁸³⁴) Zla-ba-sbas-pa. Ibid. 447 b. 2. ⁸³⁵) Sñiñ-po-thig-le. Ibid. 447 b. 4.

rule for 70 years. The minister of these kings Cāṇakya⁸³⁶), (owing to his deeds) will depart to hell.

After the monk Nanda has died, another called Candanapāla will appear and will live 300 years⁸³⁷). Thereafter, the king called Bhadanta⁸³⁸) will burn down the temples and the monuments from the eastern country and up to Kashmir and massacre the monks⁸³⁹). After him, there will be a king called Buddhapakṣa⁸⁴⁰) who will be succeeded by the king Sarvābhirāma⁸⁴¹) who is to live 300 years. The son of the latter, Gambhīrapakṣa⁸⁴²) will reign in the Pañcāla⁸⁴³) country.

In the northern Himālaya, in the country called the Godly⁸⁴⁴), there is to appear the king Maṇuṣyadeva⁸⁴⁵) who will attain the age of 80 years⁸⁴⁶). In China there will be a king named Hiraṇyagarbha⁸⁴⁷) who is to live 150 years⁸⁴⁸). In his country —

The Bodhisattva, the great hero,
Mañjuḥṣa who is endowed with great light,
Perceived by all in that pure region,
Is to abide in the form of a child⁸⁴⁹). —

In the north, a king called Turuṣka is to live 300 years⁸⁵⁰), and after him he who is called Turuṣka-Mahāsammata⁸⁵¹). The latter is to attain the age of 200 years⁸⁵²).

In the west, beyond Ujjayinī⁸⁵³), a king named Çīla⁸⁵⁴) is to rule for 300 years⁸⁵⁵), and after him a king called Cala⁸⁵⁶) who is to live for 54 years and 5 months⁸⁵⁷). — Of the greater part of

⁸³⁶) Tsa-na-ka. Ibid. 448 a. 5—b 1.

⁸³⁷) Ibid. 452 a. 3 sqq. ⁸³⁸) Btsun-pa. ⁸³⁹) Ibid. 452 a. 4—6.

⁸⁴⁰) Saṅs-rgyas-phyogs. Ibid. 452 b. 3—4.

⁸⁴¹) Thams-cad-mñon-dgaḥ. Ibid. 452 b. 4—6.

⁸⁴²) Zab-moḥi-phyogs. ⁸⁴³) Lña-len. Ibid. 452 b. 6—7 sqq.

⁸⁴⁴) Lha-lan. ⁸⁴⁵) Mihi-lha. ⁸⁴⁶) Ibid. 453 a. 4—5.

⁸⁴⁷) Dbyig-gi-sñiñ-po. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha. p. 14, note 2.

⁸⁴⁸) Mañj.-mūla-tantra. Kg. RGYUD. XI. 453 b. 3—454 a. 1.

⁸⁴⁹) Ibid. 454 a. 2—3. ⁸⁵⁰) Ibid. 454 a. 3—5.

⁸⁵¹) Tu-ru-ṣka mañ-pos-bkur-ba. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 2 has Çāka-mahāsammata.

⁸⁵²) Mañj.-mūla-tantra, Kg. RGYUD. XI. 454 b. 1—4.

⁸⁵³) Hphags-rgyal.

⁸⁵⁴) Nañ-tshul. Also translated (in the Tantra) as Tshul-khrims (445 b. 5.)

⁸⁵⁵) Sic. acc. to Bu-ton, but Tantra (455 b. 2.) — lo-ni sum-cu-dag-tu-yañ / rgyal-srid gnod-pa-med-par bya //

⁸⁵⁶) Gyo-ba. ⁸⁵⁷) Ibid. 455 b. 5.

these kings it has been prophesied that they are to attain Enlightenment. The reigns of many other kings have moreover been foretold, but I do not write about them, since I fear that it will take too much place.

Furthermore, we read in the *Nātha-abhyudaya-tantra*⁸⁶⁸): — A certain fisherman, having been swallowed by a fish, will die and be reborn as the Yogin called Dārika⁸⁶⁹). This one will cast wine into the river Ganges and in an hour an island called Badaha will appear. [109 a.] The result of the charms (of this magician) is that the Dākas and Dākinīs will be rendered powerless. —

And⁸⁶⁰): — In the country of Oḍiṣa⁸⁶¹) there will appear a man possessed of the faculty of mystic meditation which he will exercise with great energy. He will be a follower of the precepts of Rāmaṇi. His name (is spelt as follows): — The letter Ka of the first phonetic class is adorned with the first vowel (i. e. A). Then comes the 4th letter of the 7th class (Ha), being as if slightly mounted on the latter Na. This unique and powerful Yogin will secure the 8 great principal magical properties⁸⁶²). The person spoken of here is Kahnapa or Kṛṣṇacārin⁸⁶³). The 6 pupils of the latter are to secure the Great Seal⁸⁶⁴) by means of which everything which has a separate and physical reality will be rejected. —

Again⁸⁶⁵): — The foremost of the Paṇḍits, known by the name of Dharmakīrti, — he and 6 other persons, acting for the sake of the Doctrine and abiding in virtuous conduct are to secure the magical properties. After that, the guardians of the Doctrine named Mahila, Čamkara⁸⁶⁶), Bhavyaghoṣa, and Sahasrakarṇa^{866a}). will in 13 years attain the magical properties. —

Furthermore⁸⁶⁷): — In the south, a city called Ajārayoginī is to appear, and there a magician named Nāgārjuna will bestow royal power upon Gopāla who will sit mounted on a Čimčapa tree.

⁸⁶⁸) Sic. acc. to Xyl. Mgon-po-mñon-par-hbyuñ-baḥi-rgyud. In the Kan-gyur (Derge ed.) this work is called Mahākāla-tantra-rāja. Kg. RGYUD. V. 66 b. 4—5. (D.)

⁸⁶⁹) Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 127, 177, 249, 278.

⁸⁶⁰) Kg. RGYUD. V. 67 b. 3—4. ⁸⁶¹) Xyl. O-ru-bi-sa.

⁸⁶²) grub-pa = siddhi. Or: dños-grub-chen-po.

⁸⁶³) Nag-po-spyod-pa-pa.

⁸⁶⁴) phyag-rgya-chen-po = mahāmudrā. Ibid. 67 b. 5.

⁸⁶⁵) Ibid. 68 b. 1—2.

⁸⁶⁶) Xyl. Saṃkara. Kg.: Pāgara (Sāgara)

^{866a}) Xyl. Sahaprakarṣa, Kangyur: Sahasrikārṇa. ⁸⁶⁷) Ibid. 68 b. 4—5.

And, after the death of (the latter's) son, the nephew of Vahana and other kings are to appear. —

In the *Kālacakra-uttara-tantra*⁸⁶⁸) it is said: —

The monk Nāgārjuna, the source of all the virtuous properties
Administering help to all living beings,
The teacher called Sthiramati^{868a}), those who are endowed
With 10 000 magical powers over the duration of life,
Those who attain their aim on the Path of the 10 virtues, —
Āryadeva, Kambala⁸⁶⁹), Ačvaghōṣa, Dignāga [109 b.],
Parahitāčaya^{869a}), Candrapadma^{869b}), and Padmānkura⁸⁷⁰),
Avigraha, Ačṣakṛṣṇa, the king of Bhasalakalpa, and the
king Indrabhūti⁸⁷¹): —

And furtheron⁸⁷²): —

He who is called Jñāna, Vajraghaṇṭa^{872a}), Kuṇṭha^{872b})
Those drinking wine from skulls, bearing the trident,
The ornaments of bones, the wine-cup,
And the hand-drum, — as he who is called Kṛṣṇālavāla.

In accordance with all these passages, the persons mentioned are said to be the guardians of the Doctrine. Some say that no prophecies have been delivered with regard to those who were endowed with the attributes of the Yogins (i. e. the Tantric magicians). This is however to be refuted by the passages which we have just quoted. —

In general, as regards the preservation of the Doctrines of the Buddhas, the exposition of them, and the action according to them, we know that, especially, the teachings of the 1000 Buddhas are preserved, rehearsed, and protected by Vajrapāṇi. The Doctrine of this Buddha is preserved by Mañjučri, Vajrapāṇi, Brahma, Indra, etc. It is said in the *Mañjučri-mūla-tantra*: —

⁸⁶⁸) Kg. RGYUD. I. 206 a. 3—6. (N.)

^{868a}) Blo-brtan. The Kg. has Ḥod-brtan.

⁸⁶⁹) Lva-baḥi-na-bzah. ^{869a}) Gžan-la-phan-paḥi bsam-pa.

^{869b}) Sic. Xyl. Zla-ba-padma. The Kg. has Btsun-pa Padmaḥi-myu-gu.

⁸⁷⁰) Padmaḥi-myu-gu. ⁸⁷¹) Xyl. Indrabodhi.

⁸⁷²) Ibid. 199 b. 3—4. ^{872a}) Rdo-rjeḥi-dril-bu.

^{872b}) (?) Xyl. Lag-ltuñ. Kg. Lag-rdub. Perhaps Lag-rdum. In Cordier's Index du Bstan-Hgyur I p. 171 we find the name Kuṇṭha (Varāhakuṇṭha) as the author of the Črivajra-bhairava-sādhana (Kuṇṭha = phyag-rdum = lag-rdum — "he with the mutilated hand.")

The Lord of Sages will pass away into Nirvāṇa,
And, in order to protect the Highest Doctrine,
There will be one who appears in the form of Mañjuçrī,
Of him who constantly preserves the Doctrine. —

In particular, the protectors of the Doctrine are the 16 Sthaviras, viz.

1. Panthaka⁸⁷³), — in the realm of the 33 gods,
2. The Sthavira Abhedya⁸⁷⁴) in the Himālaya,
3. Kanaka^{874a}) — (Bhāradvāja), — in the western continent
Godhanya,
4. Bakula⁸⁷⁵), — in the northern continent Kuru,
3. Bhāradvāja, — in the eastern continent Videha,
6. Mahākālīka⁸⁷⁶), in Tāmradvīpa,
7. Vajrīputra⁸⁷⁷), — in Siṃhaladvīpa,
8. Rāhula⁸⁷⁸), in Priyangudvīpa,
9. Āribhadra⁸⁷⁹), — in Yamunādvīpa.
10. Gopaka⁸⁸⁰), — on the mountain Bihula,
11. Nāgasena⁸⁸¹), — on the Urumunda mountain,
12. Vanavāsin⁸⁸²), — on the Saptarpaṇa mountain,
13. Kṣudrapanthaka⁸⁸³), — on the Gṛdhrakūṭa,
14. Kanakavatsa⁸⁸⁴), — in Kashmir,
15. Angiraja⁸⁸⁵), — on the Kailāsa mountain, — and
16. Ajita⁸⁸⁶), — in the Crystal Wood of the Sages.

Each of the 16 is surrounded by numerous Arhats. Without passing away into Nirvāṇa [110 a.], they will act according to the Word of the Buddha and protect the Doctrine.

IV. Acc₁ b₂ c₃ b₄ c₅. The Acts performed for the Sake of the Doctrine by the Persons who had been foretold by the Buddha.

The Life of Nāgārjuna⁸⁸⁷).

Four hundred years after the Buddha had passed away, in the south, in the country of Vidarbha, there dwelt a rich Brāhmaṇa who had no children. It had been prophesied to him in a dream that, if he would invite 100 Brāhmaṇas to a religious feast, a son would be born to him. He acted accordingly, told his prayers

and, 10 months after, a child was born. When (the father) showed him to the sooth-sayers, the latter said that, although the marks (of the boy) were lucky, he could not live longer than 10 days. (The father) asked how one could help in this matter. — It was said that if he would invite 100 Brāhmaṇas to a religious feast, (the life of the boy) could be made to last 7 months and, by another invitation of 100 monks likewise to a religious feast, (the boy) could be made to live 7 years. But, said they, there is no means (to make him live) longer than that. (The father) accordingly did as he was told. When the end of the 7 years drew near, the parents who were unable to bear the sight of the dead body of their son (which they would soon have to behold), sent him to travel with a servant. So he gradually went and went and, having come to behold the face of Khasarpaṇa⁸⁸⁸), finally came to the gates of Nālanda⁸⁸⁹). There he began to recite the hymns of the Sāmaveda which were heard by the Brāhmaṇa Sāraha who was residing there. (The latter) led him in, and as (the boy) related to him the circumstances owing to which he was thus travelling about, the teacher told him that if he would become a monk, it could be possible to find a means (of prolonging his life). Accordingly, he took orders, (and his teacher) consecrated him on the magic circle of Amitāyus, the Conqueror of the Lord of Death, and made him recite the magic formula (of Amitāyus). Especially, he made him recite (these charms) during the evening and the night when his 7th year was to elapse and thus he became delivered from the Lord of Death. Then he showed himself to his parents who greatly rejoiced. After that he studied with the Brāhmaṇa Sāraha the texts of the Āgamas etc. with all the necessary instructions. Then he prayed Rāhulabhadra⁸⁹⁰), the abbot of Nālanda [110 b.] to be his preceptor, became regularly ordained and was known as the monk Ārjuna⁸⁹¹).

Some time after, when he was occupying the post of the waiter (or verger)⁸⁹² of the Congregation of Nālanda, a great famine (happened in that country). Ārjuna got from the intermediate continent⁸⁹³ the elixir producing gold, and, having obtained gold by means of it, was able to procure for the members of the Con-

⁸⁷³) Lam-pa. ⁸⁷⁴) Mi-phyed-pa. ^{874a}) Gser-can. ⁸⁷⁵) Xyl. Bhakula.

⁸⁷⁶) Dus-ldan-chen-po. ⁸⁷⁷) Rdo-rje-moḥi-bu. ⁸⁷⁸) Sgra-gcan-ḥdzin.

⁸⁷⁹) Dpal-bzañ. ⁸⁸⁰) Sbed-byed. ⁸⁸¹) Klu-sde. ⁸⁸²) Nags-gnas.

⁸⁸³) Lam-phran. ⁸⁸⁴) Gser-gyi-beḥu. ⁸⁸⁵) Yan-lag-ḥbyuñ.

⁸⁸⁶) Ma-pham-pa. ⁸⁸⁷) Cf. Grünwedel, Edelsteinmine, B. B. p. 12 sqq.

⁸⁸⁸) The Xyl. has Khar-sa-pā-ñi. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 144.

⁸⁸⁹) The Xyl. has here and further on throughout: Nālandra.

⁸⁹⁰) Sgra-gcan-ḥdzin-bzañ-po.

⁸⁹¹) Dpal-ldan.

⁸⁹²) *ḥal-ta-pa*.

⁸⁹³) *gliñ-bar*.

gregation their noon-tide meals, so that they could keep the summer-fast. But the members of the Congregation asked: — How was it possible (for thee) to procure the noon-tide meals at a time when everything is wanting, when we are awaiting death and abide (in a country) wasted by famine? — And, when he told them about the manner (in which he produced the meals) as just mentioned, they said: — Without asking the permission of the Clergy, he has procured for it unrighteous means of livelihood. He must therefore be expelled from this place and, (in order to be purified from this guilt), construct 10 000 000 monasteries and sanctuaries. —

After that he secured by propitiation the mundane and supermundane magical powers. At that time, a monk named Čamkara⁸⁹⁴) having composed a treatise called *Nyāyālaṃkāra*⁸⁹⁵) consisting of 1 200 000 Člokas, refuted everyone (who chanced to dispute with him). In order to subdue (this monk, Črimān) expounded the Doctrine at Nālanda. Whilst he was holding his sermon, 2 boys listened to his exposition of the Doctrine and then vanished beneath the earth. (The teacher) asked who these 2 were, and it was said, that they were Nāgas. The teacher bid them to fetch the mould of the Yakṣas for the temples and monuments he had to build. They, accordingly, informed the Nāga king, and he bade them to invite the teacher. The latter, having received the invitation and, knowing that (by accepting it), he would attain a great aim, descended into the region of the Nāgas and expounded the Doctrine there. The Nāgas then prayed him to stay with them, but he said that he had come to seek the clay with which to build the sanctuaries, and, likewise, in order to carry off (the Prajñāpāramitā-sūtra) of 100 000 Člokas. There is no time for me to stay, — said he, — but I may come afterwards. So he took with him plenty of clay, the *Čatasāhasrikā*, and the *Sulpākṣara*⁸⁹⁶). It is said that a small part of the *Čatasāhasrikā* was not delivered to him by the Nāgas. Thereafter he built with that clay 10 000 000 sanctuaries etc. [111 a.] and the Nāgas became his friends. He thus subdued the greater part of them with the exception of some who were not present in the Nāga-region. Henceforth he was known by the name of Nāgārjuna. Thereafter, having produced gold at Puṇḍra-

⁸⁹⁴) Bde-byed.

⁸⁹⁵) Or: Yuktyalaṃkāra = Rigs-paḥi-rgyan.

⁸⁹⁶) Yi-ge-ñuñ-ñu. One of the small Prajñā-pāramitā-sūtras (Kg. RGYUD. XII).

vardhana⁸⁹⁷), he distributed abundant alms. An old Brāhmaṇa and his wife to whom he gave at that time much gold, became devoted to him. The old man made himself his attendant, heard the Doctrine (from him) and, having died, was reborn as the teacher Nāgabodhi⁸⁹⁸). Thereafter (the teacher) went to the eastern country of Paṭaveṣa where he built many temples. In the country of Radha he did the same and intended to transform into gold a rock resembling a bell, but was hindered by the gods. After that he went to the northern continent Kuru and, on the way there, in the town called Salama, (he met with) a boy called Jetaka, to whom he prophesied, by means of palmistry, that he would be a king. Having come to the continent of the Kuru, he hung his clothes on the branch of a tree and washed. As his clothes were then carried away by the Kurus, and he protested saying: — These clothes are mine, — they returned that in their language and according to their views “mine” was the same as “ours”. Having fulfilled his mission there, he departed. In the meantime, the boy mentioned before, had become king, and presented Nāgārjuna with many precious jewels. (Nāgārjuna) in exchange delivered to him “the Rosary of Jewels of the Doctrine” (*Ratnāvalī*).

(In sum) the acts performed by this teacher for the sake of the Doctrine are as follows: — He became the attendant of the clergy, built a great number of sanctuaries and temples, made at Vajrāsana an enclosure like a diamond net, and constructed the edifice for the sanctuary of Črīdhānya-kaṭaka⁸⁹⁹).

His activity in the field of science is as follows: — In metaphysics his chief works are: —

Those which have as their principal subject-matter the philosophical system of the Mādhyamika, shunning both the extremities. These are: 1. The collection of the Mādhyamika-stotras (in which the doctrine) is expounded in accordance with Scripture and 2. The (6) fundamental Mādhyamika treatises⁹⁰⁰) where the teaching is vindicated by logical means.

The works which are dedicated to the practical side of the Doctrine are: — The *Sūtra-samuccaya*⁹⁰¹), teaching in accordance with Scripture, the *Svapna-cintāmaṇi-parīkathā*⁹⁰²), demonstrating

⁸⁹⁷) Li-kha-ra-čin-ḥphel.

⁸⁹⁸) Kluḥi-byañ-chub.

⁸⁹⁹) Dpal Ḥbras-spuñs.

⁹⁰⁰) Cf. vol. I. p. 50, 51.

⁹⁰¹) Mdo-kun-las-btus-pa, Tg. MDO. XXX. 172 b.—253 a. (Pek.)

⁹⁰²) Rmi-lam-yid-bžin-gyi-nor-bu. Tg. MDO. XXX. 219—221.

by logical means, purifying the minds of the Mahāyānists and awakening to life the element of saintliness⁹⁰³) of the Āravakas. [111 b.]

The work demonstrating the chief principles of the conduct of householders is the *Suḥṛllekha*⁹⁰⁴), and that which is chiefly dedicated to the conduct of monks is the *Bodhigana*⁹⁰⁵).

In the division of the Tantras his works are: — The *Tantra-samuccaya*⁹⁰⁶), — a brief exposition of the theoretical and the practical side (of the Tantras), the *Bodhicitta-vivaraṇa*⁹⁰⁷) where the theory is clearly exposed, the *Pinḍikṛta-sādhana*⁹⁰⁸) demonstrating the Initial Development⁹⁰⁹) in an abridged form, the *Sūtra-melāpaka*⁹¹⁰), the *Maṇḍalavidhi* of 20 verses, the *Pañca-krama*⁹¹¹) demonstrating the Final Development⁹¹²), etc. —

Moreover, we have by him medical works as the *Yogaṣṭaka* etc.⁹¹³) In the science of worldly policy⁹¹⁴) we have his *Jana-poṣaṇa-bindu*⁹¹⁵) containing the precepts delivered to inferiors, and the *Prajñā-ṣṭaka*⁹¹⁶), consisting of instructions delivered for ministers. Then we have the *Ratnāvalī*⁹¹⁷) in which the theoretical and practical part of the Mahāyānist Doctrine are demonstrated together for the use of kings. Furthermore, he has composed the *Pratītya-samutpāda-cakra*⁹¹⁸), the *Dhūpa-yoga-ratna-mālā*⁹¹⁹), works on alchemy and others. All these are independent treatises. —

⁹⁰³) *rīgs* = *gotra*.

⁹⁰⁴) Bṣes-sbrin. Tg. MDO. XXXIII. 74—81. (Pek.).

⁹⁰⁵) Byañ-chub-kyi-tshogs. ⁹⁰⁶) Rgyud-kun-las-btus.

⁹⁰⁷) Byañ-chub-sems-ḡgrel. Tg. RGYUD. XXXIII. 42—50 (Pek.); also MDO. XXXIII. 221—226.

⁹⁰⁸) Sgrub-thabs-mdor-byas. Tg. RGYUD. XXXIII. 1—12 (Pek.).

⁹⁰⁹) *bskyed-rim* = *utpatti-krama*.

⁹¹⁰) Mdo-bsre. Full title: Āri-Guhyasamāja-mahā-yoga-tantra-utpatti-krama-sādhanaṃ Sūtra-melāpakam nāma (Rnal-ḡbyor-chen-poḡi rgyud Dpal Gsañ-ba-ḡdus-paḡi bskyed-paḡi-rim-paḡi bsgom-paḡi thabs Mod-dañ-bsres-pa). Tg. RGYUD. XXXIII. 12—17. (Pek.)

⁹¹¹) Rim-pa-līna-pa. Tg. RGYUD. XXXIII. 50—64 (Pek.).

⁹¹²) *rdzogs-rim* = *sampanna-krama*.

⁹¹³) Sbyor-ba-brgya-pa. Tg. MDO. CXVIII. 1—5 (Pek.).

⁹¹⁴) *lugs-kyi-bstan-bcos* = *nīti-ṣāstra*.

⁹¹⁵) Skye-bo-gso-thigs. Tg. MDO. CXXIII.

⁹¹⁶) Ḣes-rab-brgya-pa. Ibid. and XXX. Cf. vol. I.

⁹¹⁷) Or: Mādhyamika-ratnāvalī. Tg. MDO. XCIV.

⁹¹⁸) Rten-ḡbrel-gyī ḡkhor-lo. Tg. MDO. CXXIII. 34—42. (Pek.).

⁹¹⁹) Spos-sbyor. Ibid. fol. 29.

The Commentaries written by him on other works are the *Guhyasamāja-tantra-tīkā*⁹²⁰), the *Ālistambaka-kārikā*⁹²¹) and others. — As concerns the *Caturmudrā-niṣṣaya*⁹²²) it is said in the *Āmnāya-mañjarī*⁹²³) that it has not been composed by Nāgārjuna. The teacher Prajñākaramati, in his Commentary on the *Bodhicaryāvatāra* says that the teacher Nāgārjuna has likewise composed a Compendium of Discipline^{923a}). In such a way did Nāgārjuna act for the sake of the Doctrine for 600 years.

At that time the king Antivāhana⁹²⁴) or Udayanabhadra⁹²⁵) had a son, the prince Ḣaktimān⁹²⁶). When his mother gave him a very fine mantle, he said: — This will be of use to me at the time when I shall assume the royal power. To this the mother said: — Thou shalt not come to reign. — Thy father and the teacher Nāgārjuna have found out a means of producing an elixir securing longevity. (The duration of life of thy father) is to be the same as that of the teacher. [112 a.] (Upon hearing this, the youth) went to Āriparvata, to the place where the teacher Nāgārjuna was abiding. The latter raised his head and began to preach the Doctrine to him. The youth tried to cut off (the teacher's) head with his sword, but failed, whereupon the teacher said: — An insect has perished (before), having been cut down by me with a halm of Kuṣa grass. The consequence⁹²⁷) (of this deed) is lasting upon me. Owing to it my head can be cut off with a Kuṣa halm. The youth, accordingly cut it off in such a way, (and after he had done that), from the foundation of the neck there was heard a verse: —

I shall now depart to the region of Sukhavatī,

But (afterwards) I am to enter this body again.

The youth then went away, having carried off the head. But (subsequently) a female yakṣa took possession of it and deposited it within the distance of a yojana (from the body). The head and

⁹²⁰) Gsañ-ḡdus-ḡgrel-pa. Tg. RGYUD. XXVII.

⁹²¹) Sa-lu-ljañ-paḡi-mdo-tshigs-su-bcad-pa-bśdus-pa. Tg. MDO. XXXIII. 213—216 and XXXIV. 22—25 (Pek.).

⁹²²) Phyag-rgya-bḡi-pa. Tg. RGYUD. XLVI. 82—84.

⁹²³) Man-ḡag-sḡe-ma. Full title: Āri-Saṃputa-tantra-rāja-tīkā Āmnāya-mañjarī-nāma. The work of Abhayākaragupta, Tg. RGYUD. XIX.

^{923a}) Bślab-pa-kun-las-btus-pa = Ḣikṣā-samuccaya.

⁹²⁴) Mthar-ḡgro-ḡon. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 304.

⁹²⁵) Bde-spyod-bzañ-po. ⁹²⁶) Nus-ldan.

⁹²⁷) *rnam-smin* = *vipāka*.

the body did not decay, but every year drew nearer to each other. Finally they united and again worked for the weal of the Doctrine and the living beings. (In the name) Nāgārjuna, Nāga (has the following signification): — 1. Born from (that ocean) which is the Essence, the Plane of the Absolute⁹²⁸) (just as the real Nāga is born in the sea), 2. not abiding in the 2 limits or extreme views of Eternalism⁹²⁹) and Nihilism⁹³⁰), (just as the real Nāga knows no limits as regards his abode), 3. securing the possession of the treasury of the Jewels of Scripture (just as the Nāga possesses immense wealth in gold and jewels), 4. endowed with an insight (that is like fire), burning down and illuminating (akin to the fiery eyes of the Nāga).

Arjuna has the meaning of “he who has secured power”. Accordingly, the teacher is Arjuna since he is: 1. The guardian, the ruler of the kingdom of the Doctrine and 2. the subduer of the hosts of enemies, that is of all the sinful powers of this world. Being united, these two component parts form the compound name Nāgārjuna. It is said accordingly in the *Prasannapadā*⁹³¹):

I bow before that Nāgārjuna who has rejected
The adherence to the two extreme points of view,
Who has become born in the ocean of the Supreme Buddha's
Wisdom,
And has, out of mercy, exposed all the depths
Of the treasury of the Highest Doctrine⁹³²), as he has
cognized (it himself)⁹³³).
The fires of whose Doctrine consume that fuel
Which is (every) hostile, disagreeing view,
And dispell, up to this very day
The mental darkness of the world⁹³⁴).
Whose incomparable wisdom and words are like a mass
of arrows,

⁹²⁸) *chos-dbyiṅs* = *dharma-dhātu*. ⁹²⁹) *rtag-mthaḥ* = *śāṅgha-anta*.

⁹³⁰) *chad-mthaḥ* = *uccheda-anta*.

⁹³¹) Tshig-gsal. B. B. p. 1. Cf. also Conception of Buddhist Nirvāṇa, p. 81.

⁹³²) I read acc. to the Tib. text *dam-chos-mdzod-kyi* = *saddharma-kośasya*. Cf. Conception of Buddhist Nirvāṇa, Corrigenda.

⁹³³) *yo'nta-dvayāvāsa-vidhūta-vāsaḥ sambuddha-dhī-sāgara-labdha-janmā / saddharma-kośasya gambhīra-bhāvaṃ yathānubuddhaṃ kṛpayā jagāda. /*

⁹³⁴) *yasya darśana-tejāṃsi paravādi-matendhanam / dahanty adyāpi lokasya mānasāni tamāṃsi ca //*

Perfectly secure (for him) the victory and the sovereignty
in the 3 Spheres of Existence
Over all the world of converts including the gods,
And vanquish those hosts of enemies, — (the forces of)
Phenomenal Existence⁹³⁵). —

[112 b.] And⁹³⁶): —

Composed by Nāgārjuna, the Bodhisattva
Who has departed to Sukhavatī, after having
Let his head be cut off and delivered it to him
Who had come in request of it.

Some authorities maintain that in the *Mahāmegha-sūtra* the following is to be read: — 400 years after I have passed away, this Licchavi will become a monk called Nāga and will propagate my Doctrine. Finally, in the world called Prasannaprabhā⁹³⁷) he will become the Buddha called Jñānākaraprabhā⁹³⁸). Now we read in the *Mahāmegha*: — In the south, in the country called Rṣila⁹³⁹) will appear a king named Vipatticikitsaka⁹⁴⁰). When the latter will be 80 years of age, the Highest Doctrine is to undergo destruction, and only remnants of it will be left. At that time, on the northern shore of the rivulet called Sundarabhūti⁹⁴¹) near the village Mahāvāluka⁹⁴²), the dwelling-place of virtuous people, on the ground belonging to the Vaiṣyas Bra-go-can (?) a Licchavi youth who by his appearance causes delight to all living beings, will be born, bear my name and expound the Doctrine of the Buddha. This youth, in the presence of the Buddha Nāgākula-pradīpa⁹⁴³), will make the vow to give up his life for the sake of the Doctrine and the Teaching of the Lord. — It is he who is to propagate the Doctrine. — So is it to be read, but it is not clear, whether (this passage) really refers to Nāgārjuna. Some are of the opinion that (the words “bearing my name” refer to) the reli-

⁹³⁵) *yasya'sama-jñāna-vacaḥ-çaraughā nighnanti niḥçesa-bhavāri-senām / tridhātu-rājya-çriyam ādadhānā vinaya-lokasya sadevakasya // Nāgārjunāya praṇipatya tasmai . . .*

⁹³⁶) This verse is not contained in Prof. de la Vallée Poussin's edition of the *Prasannapadā*.

⁹³⁷) Dañ-baḥi-hod.

⁹³⁸) Ye-çes-hbyuñ-gnas-hod. This prophecy of the *Mahāmegha-sūtra* is quoted in the *Mādhyaṃika-avatāra-bhāṣya* B. B. 76. 17—77. 4.

⁹³⁹) Drañ-sroñ-byi-boḥi-yul. ⁹⁴⁰) Rgud-pa-gso-ba.

⁹⁴¹) Mdzes-ḥbyor. ⁹⁴²) Bye-ma-chen-po. ⁹⁴³) Klu-rigs-sgron-ma.

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gious name of Nāgārjuna which is (said to have been) Čākya-mitra⁹⁴⁴). This however must be scrutinized. It is said, moreover, that according to *Mahābherī-sūtra*⁹⁴⁵), Nāgārjuna has been foretold to attain the 8th Stage, but this must likewise be examined. —

The Teacher Āryadeva.

The (spiritual) son of Nāgārjuna was the teacher Āryadeva. The latter was miraculously born⁹⁴⁶) in the island of Simhala in the petals of a lotus-flower and was adopted by the king of that country. When he grew up, he went to the place where the teacher Nāgārjuna was residing, entered his school [113 a.], and became proficient in all the branches of science and all the heterodox and orthodox philosophical systems. At that time there lived a heretical teacher called Mātrceṭa⁹⁴⁷) who had propitiated the god Maheçvara and was exceedingly powerful, so that no living being could match him. This teacher, having caused great harm to the Doctrine of Buddha and seduced the greater part (of the people) to the heretical teachings, came to Nālanda. The Nālanda monks sent a message to Nāgārjuna who was residing on the Çrīpavara. The teacher Āryadeva (who was abiding with him) said that he would subdue (the heretic) and went (to Nālanda). On the way there the goddess of a tree begged him to grant her an eye, and he accordingly presented her with one of his eyes. Thereafter, as he had vanquished the heretic, (the monks said): — Who is this one-eyed? — Āryadeva replied: —

The Terrific One⁹⁴⁸), though he has 3 eyes,
Cannot perceive the Absolute Truth;
Indra, though endowed with 1000 eyes,
Is likewise unable to see it.
But Āryadeva, who has only one eye,
Has the intuition of the true Essence
Of all the 3 Spheres of Existence.

(The heretical teacher) was vanquished by (the words of) the Doctrine, was converted to Buddhism, and became a great Paṇḍit. —

Tradition says that the teacher (Āryadeva) has attained the 8th Stage. But, as the *Mañjuçrī-mūla-tantra*⁹⁴⁹) speaks of him: —

⁹⁴⁴) Čā-kya-bçes-gñen. ⁹⁴⁵) Rñā-bo-chehi-mdo.

⁹⁴⁶) rdzus-te-skyes-pa = upapāduka.

⁹⁴⁷) Ma-khol. ⁹⁴⁸) Maheçvara. ⁹⁴⁹) Cf. above.

Though not a Saint he will bear the name of a Saint, — this must be accurately examined. —

This teacher has composed the following works: —

1. The *Mādhya-mika-catuḥçatikā*⁹⁵⁰), demonstrating the meaning of Non-substantiality in detail.

2. The *Mādhya-mika-hastavāla-prakarāṇa*⁹⁵¹), — an abridged exposition (of the same subject).

3. The *Skhalita-pramathana-yukti-hetu-siddhi*⁹⁵²), refuting the challenges of opponents.

4. The *Jñāna-sāra-samuccaya*⁹⁵³), demonstrating the chief characteristic points of the philosophical⁹⁵⁴) and the Tantric systems.

In the Tantric literature his works are: —

Those containing the exposition of the theoretical part of Tantra, as:

1. The *Caryā-melayana-pradīpa*⁹⁵⁵), on the foundation of the mixed Sūtra and Tantra Scripture.

2. The *Citta-āvaraṇa-viçodhana*⁹⁵⁶), demonstrating the same subject by logical means. [113 b.]

3. The *Catuḥ-pīṭha-tantra-rāja-maṇḍala-upāyikā-vidhi-sāra-samuccaya*⁹⁵⁷), referring to the magical rights for (attaining) the power of bringing living beings to maturity.

4. The *Catuḥpīṭha-sādhana*⁹⁵⁸), demonstrating the Initial Development⁹⁵⁹).

5. The *Jñāna-dākinī-sādhana*⁹⁶⁰).

6. The *Eka-druma-pañjikā*⁹⁶¹), demonstrating the magic rites, the offerings, the final Development⁹⁶²), etc.

⁹⁵⁰) Dbuma-bzi-brgya-pa. Tg. MDO. XVIII.

⁹⁵¹) Dbu-ma-lag-paḥi-tshad. Ibid. 24 a. 8—b. 5. (Pek.)

⁹⁵²) Hkhrul-pa-zlog-paḥi gtan-tshigs-grub-pa. Ibid. 20 b.—24 a.

⁹⁵³) Ye-çes-sñiñ-po-kun-las-btus. Ibid. 29—31.

⁹⁵⁴) mtshan-ñid.

⁹⁵⁵) Spyod-pa-bsdus-paḥi-sgron-ma. Tg. RGYUD. XXXIII. 121 b—127.

⁹⁵⁶) Sems-kyi-sgrub-sbyon. Tg. RGYUD. XXXIII. 121 b.—127.

⁹⁵⁷) Gdan-bziḥi dkyil-chog-sñiñ-po-mdor-bsags. Tg. RGYUD. XXIII. 142—172.

⁹⁵⁸) Gdan-bziḥi-sgrub-thabs. Ibid. 91—101.

⁹⁵⁹) bskyed-rim = utpatti-krama.

⁹⁶⁰) Ye-çes-mkhaḥ-ḥgro-maḥi-sgrub-thabs. Or: Jñāneçvari-sādhana. Tg. RGYUD. XXIII. 129—141.

⁹⁶¹) Çiñ-gcig-gi dkaḥ-ḥgrel. Ibid. 173—177.

⁹⁶²) rdzogs-rim = saṃpanna-krama.

It is said moreover that he is the author of the *Pradīpa-uddyo-tana-abhisandhi-prakāṣika-vyākhyā-ṭikā*⁹⁶³), but we must examine whether this is chronologically correct or not. —

The Teacher Nāgabodhi.

As concerns the teacher Nāgabodhi who was likewise the pupil of the master Nāgārjuna, tradition says that he was versed in all the heterodox and orthodox philosophical systems, beheld the countenance of his tutelary deity and attained the magic power of longevity, owing to which he abides up to this day on the Āri-parvata. He has composed the *Guhyasamāja-maṇḍala-vidhi*⁹⁶⁴), the *Pañca-krama-ṭikā*⁹⁶⁵) and many other works. —

The Teacher Candragomin.

The teacher Candragomin was born in the east, in Bengal, and, whilst still a youth, became greatly learned. Having married Tārā, the daughter of the king of Vārendra, he lived with her (for some time). Once, as the maid-servant was calling his wife: Tārā!, he pondered and came to the insight that it was unsuitable that the wife and the tutelary deity (who was the goddess Tārā) should bear one name. He accordingly prayed (his wife) to forgive him, and made his intention to depart. He was however seized by his friends who asked him why he was going away and he told them the reason why. The king came to know this and said: — If he will not live with my daughter, throw him into the Ganges. — The hangmen, accordingly, prepared to cast him into the river, but the teacher addressed a prayer to Tārā, and the latter miraculously produced an island in the middle of the Ganges, showed her countenance quite clearly, and blessed him. And up to this day, tradition calls that spot “the island of Candra”⁹⁶⁶). Thereafter he was rescued by fishermen and, the king of Vārendra having become devoted to him, he grew to be an object of reverence and finally came to Nālanda. There he was asked what sciences he knew. He replied that he knew the grammar of Pāṇini [114 a.],

⁹⁶³) Sgron-gsal-gyi ḡrel-bḡad. Tg. RGYUD. XXX and XXXI.

⁹⁶⁴) Gsañ-ḡdus-kyi dkyil-chog. Tg. RGYUD. XXXIII. 149—165.

⁹⁶⁵) Tg. RGYUD. XXXIV. 174—212.

⁹⁶⁶) Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 150, 151.

the *Mañjuṣrī-nāma-saṃgīti*⁹⁶⁷), and the hymn of 150 verses⁹⁶⁸). (The monks) accordingly understood that he was greatly learned, bade him welcome and bestowed great honour upon him. At that time he composed many short tracts on medicine and the like. But the most revered Lord of the World⁹⁶⁹) himself bade him to commence the composition of numerous Mahāyānistic treatises, and after that he wrote the Commentary on the *Candrapradīpa*⁹⁷⁰), the *Kāya-traya-avatāra* and many other works.

At that time there was (in Nālanda) a pupil, a monk of the Kṣatriya race who had trespassed, and had committed many sinful deeds. In order to subdue (this monk, Candragomin) wrote the *Āiṣya-lekha*⁹⁷¹). He has moreover composed a grammatical treatise consisting of 32 chapters and 700 ḡlokas⁹⁷²), in accordance with the rules of Pāṇini. The supplementary parts of this work are: —

The *Dhātu-sūtra*⁹⁷³),

The *Upasarga-vṛtti*⁹⁷⁴),

The *Varna-sūtra*⁹⁷⁵),

The *Uṇādi-sūtra*⁹⁷⁶),

Rules concerning the case- and the tense-terminations etc. In such a manner he subdued the trespassing pupil. Once he chanted a hymn in praise of Mañjuḡḡḡa, and the head of the latter's statue bent down and listened. (The hymn of Candragomin) accordingly became known as the “Praise of Mañjuḡḡa with the bent neck”⁹⁷⁷).

At that time the teacher Candrakīrti had composed a fine grammatical treatise in verse called *Samantabhadra*⁹⁷⁸). Candragomin thought that, as his work was not so good, it should be destroyed, and threw it into a well. But the Lord of the World said to him: — Thou hast composed (this treatise), being possessed

⁹⁶⁷) (Hjam-dpal)-mtshan-brjod. Tg. RGYUD. LIX. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 152. ⁹⁶⁸) Ibid.

⁹⁶⁹) Rje-btsun-ḡjig-rten-dbañ-phyug = Bhaṭṭāraka Lokeṡvara, i. e. Avalokita. ⁹⁷⁰) Zla-ba-sgron-maḡi ḡrel-pa.

⁹⁷¹) Slob-ma-la-sprin-ba. Tg. MDO. XXXIII.

⁹⁷²) The fundamental Vyākaraṇa-sūtra of Candragomin (Tg. MDO. CXVI. 1—36) has 6 chapters.

⁹⁷³) Dbyiñs-kyi-mdo. Tg. MDO. CXXXII. 312—323.

⁹⁷⁴) Tg. MDO. CXVI. 36—41.

⁹⁷⁵) Yi-geḡi-mdo. Ibid. 41—42.

⁹⁷⁶) Ibid. 365—369.

⁹⁷⁷) Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 153.

⁹⁷⁸) Kun-tu-bzañ-po. Cf. Cordier, Index du Bstan-ḡyur, II. p. 488.

of high altruistic thoughts⁹⁷⁹), (owing to which) it will be of great help (to the living beings). Therefore draw it out again. This Candragomin did. The well (into which he had thrown the book) became known as the well of Candra, and it was said that he who drank from it became possessed of acute intellectual faculty⁹⁸⁰. Thereafter (Candragomin) entered upon a controversy with Candrakīrti. After having asked the Lord of the World what answer he was to give that day, [114 b.] he accordingly replied in such a manner. Candrakīrti became possessed of doubt, hastened out and saw the Lord of the World as he was teaching (Candragomin) how to answer. — O great Saint, — prayed Candrakīrti, — do not do so this day. — And (the form of Avalokiteṣvara turned to stone, remaining with the forefinger erected. Up to this day (that statue of Avalokiteṣvara) is known as “the most merciful with the raised fore-finger”⁹⁸¹). In such a manner Candragomin, possessed of great merit, exercised his activity as a guardian of the Doctrine. —

The Teacher Candrakīrti.

Candrakīrti (in his turn) was born in the south in Samana. Having got thoroughly trained in the subjects of the Sūtras and Tantras, and relying upon the word of Nāgārjuna and Āryadeva⁹⁸²), he became a great Paṇḍit, was blessed during 500 successive births and had the power of milking a cow that was drawn on a picture⁹⁸³) as well as that of hurling a column of stone without touching it with his hand.

He has composed the Commentaries on the Mādhyamika treatises (of Nāgārjuna) and on the *Catuhṣatikā*⁹⁸⁴), — the main text of the *Mādhyamika-avatāra* and its Commentary. The most celebrated of his works are the (2) Commentaries which are spoken of as “those which resemble the sun and the moon”. These are: The Commentary on the *Mūla-mādhyamika*⁹⁸⁵) called the *Prasannapadā*⁹⁸⁶) and the Commentary on the *Guhya-samāja-tantra*, bearing the title of *Pradīpa-uddiyotana*^{986a}). These are known as “the

⁹⁷⁹) *lhag-paḥi-bsam-pa* = *adhyācāya*.

⁹⁸⁰) Cf. Schiefner, *Tārānātha*, p. 155. ⁹⁸¹) Ibid. p. 154.

⁹⁸²) Klu-sgrub yab-sras. ⁹⁸³) Cf. Schiefner, *Tārānātha*, p. 148.

⁹⁸⁴) Tg. MDO. XXIV. 33 b. — 273 b.

⁹⁸⁵) The *Mūla-mādhyamika* is called here by the abridged title *Rtsa-ṇe* i. e. *Rtsa-baḥi-ṇe-s-rab* = *Prajñā-mūla*. ⁹⁸⁶) *Tshig-gsal*.

^{986a}) *Gsañ-ḥdus-ḥgrel-pa* *Sgron-gsal*. Tg. RGYUD. XXVIII. 1—233.

2 most clear works”. Now, *Buddhapālita* and *Candrakīrti* are the chief representatives of the *Mādhyamika-prāsaṅgika* school⁹⁸⁷) or of the *Loka-prasiddhi-varga-cāri-mādhyamikas*⁹⁸⁸). The teacher *Bhavya* and the rest are the *Mādhyamika-sautrāntikas*⁹⁸⁹). *Jñāna-garbha*⁹⁹⁰), *Ṣṛigupta*^{990a}), *Āntirakṣita*⁹⁹¹), *Kamalaṣila*⁹⁹²), *Hari-bhadra*⁹⁹³) and others belong to the school of the *Yogācāra-Mādhyamikas*⁹⁹⁴). The theory of Nāgārjuna and Āryadeva has been explained (from the standpoint of these different branches of the Mādhyamika school). It is said in the *Prasannapadā*⁹⁹⁵):

Nāgārjuna was endowed with the instructions of Rāhulabhadra, and Āryadeva has followed the word (of Nāgārjuna). They have clearly expounded the precepts of the Doctrine during a long period of time. The pupils of these have analysed (this Mādhyamika) teaching and have become fully possessed of a discriminative mind. These have likewise vanquished all the heretics [115 a.] and have for a long time expounded the Doctrine⁹⁹⁶).

⁹⁸⁷) *Dbu-ma-thal-ḥgyur-ba*.

⁹⁸⁸) *Hjig-rten-grags-sde-spyod-paḥi-dbu-ma-pa*.

⁹⁸⁹) *Mdo-sde-spyod-paḥi-dbu-ma-pa*.

⁹⁹⁰) *Ye-ṇes-sñin-po*. ^{990a}) *Dpal-sbas*. ⁹⁹¹) *Ṣi-ba-ḥtsho*.

⁹⁹²) *Padmaḥi-ñān-tshul*. ⁹⁹³) *Señ-ge-bzan-po*.

⁹⁹⁴) *Rnal-ḥbyor-spyod-paḥi-dbu-ma-pa*. ⁹⁹⁵) Cf. above note 936.

⁹⁹⁶) In the work of Tson-kha-pa's pupil Kḥai-dub (Mkhas-grub) called *Ston-thun-bskal-bzan-mig-ḥbyed* (Tsañ edition vol. I. 37 a. 1 sqq.) we have a short account concerning the Mādhyamika-ācāryas and their different points of view. It is said as follows: — The standpoint of Nāgārjuna and Āryadeva was that of the *Prāsaṅgikas*. However (in their works) no direct discrimination between the *Svātantrika* and *Prāsaṅgika* point of view and no refutation of the former has been made. Subsequently, the teacher *Buddhapālita* composed his Commentary on the *Mūla-mādhyamika* and explained the theory of Nāgārjuna and Āryadeva from the *Prāsaṅgika* standpoint. After that the teacher *Bhāvaviveka* likewise composed a Commentary on the *Mūla-mādhyamika* (the *Prajñāpradīpa*) and made many refutations concerning the points commented by *Buddhapālita*. It is he who has first founded the *Svātantrika* system. The followers of each of these 2 (schools i. e. of *Buddhapālita* and *Bhāvaviveka*) are accordingly called by the earlier Tibetan authors “the Mādhyamikas adhering to the different fractions” (*Phyogs-ḥdzin-paḥi* *Dbu-ma-pa* = *Pakṣa-grāhiṇo* *Mādhyamikāḥ*). *Bhāvaviveka* has moreover composed independent works of his own, viz. the main aphorisms of the Mādhyamika-ḥḍaya (*Dbu-ma-sñin-po*) with the auto-commentary *Tarkajvālā* (*Rtog-ge-ḥbar-ba*). In these he has expounded the *Svātantrika* theories and the activity of the *Bodhisattvas* in detail. Thereupon the teacher *Jñānagarbha* composed the *Svātantrika* work *Mādhyamika-satyadvaya* (or: *Satya-dvaya-vibhanga*). This teacher, as well as *Bhāvaviveka* are

Āryadeva's pupil Mātṛceṭa has likewise composed a great number of treatises and has acted for the sake of the Doctrine. We do not however give his biography, for fear that it would take too much place.

The Biography of the Brothers Āryāsanga and Vasubandhu⁹⁹⁷.

(It is known) that the Highest Doctrine had 3 times suffered from foes. For the first time (this happened as follows): — An old woman belonging to the heretics once said: — When the wooden gong of the Buddhists is beaten, from its sound the words "confound! destroy!"⁹⁹⁸) can be distinctly heard. One must see whether such sounds are harmful for us or not. An investigation was accordingly made and the following meaning apprehended: —

Let the brains of the false heretics be confounded

By the beating of this drum of the 3 Jewels,

Who are worshipped by the gods, the Nāgas and the Yakṣas!

(The enraged heretics) then made war (upon the Buddhists) and destroyed the church⁹⁹⁹.

Thereafter, (when it had been restored again) and was to a certain extent thriving, it happened that the king of Central India sent to the Persian king¹⁰⁰⁰) a garment of very fine cloth as a present. But, as on the part (of that garment) which was to cover the heart, there was something resembling a foot-print,

the representatives of the system which maintains the reality of external objects from the Empirical Standpoint and does not admit the existence of introspective perception (*rañ-rig* = *sva-saṃvedana*). Thereafter the teacher Cāntiraksita composed the Mādhyamika-ālamkāra and laid the foundation to another school of the Mādhyamikas which denies the Empirical Reality of the External World, acknowledges the introspective perception, but on the other hand does not consider consciousness to have an Ultimate Reality (differing in this from the Yogācāra-vijñānavādins). The Mādhyamika-ālokā and the 3 Bhāvanā-krama of Kamalaçīla, as well as the texts of Vimuktasena, Haribhadra, Buddhajñāna-pāda, Abhayākara-gupta, etc. agree with Cāntiraksita in the main standpoint (which is that of the Yogācāra-mādhyamika-svātantrika, whereas Bhāvaviveka and Jñānagarbha express the point of view of the Sautrāntika-mādhyamika-svātantrikas). — As we have seen, Bu-ton counts Jñānagarbha among the Yogācāra-mādhyamikas.

⁹⁹⁷) Thogs-med-sku-mched.

⁹⁹⁸) *hgems*.

⁹⁹⁹) Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 81.

¹⁰⁰⁰) Stag-gzig-gi-rgyal-po.

(the Persian king) said that this was an evil charm to harm him, invaded (Central India) and destroyed (the Buddhist temples)¹⁰⁰¹).

Thereupon, after the Doctrine had again enjoyed a period of some prosperity, it happened that 2 heretical beggars came to a Buddhist monastery in search of alms. As (the novices) poured a shower of wash-water upon them, they became enraged and, having propitiated the sun, burned down many Buddhist temples with the sacred texts contained in them¹⁰⁰²). At that time a woman of the Brāhmaṇa caste called Prasannaçilā¹⁰⁰³) had the following thought: — Three times have foes brought harm to the Abhidharma which is the foundation of the Teaching, and no one who would be able to expound it can be found. I, being a woman, am likewise incapable of doing it. But, if I give birth to sons, I will make of them propagators (of the Doctrine). Accordingly, from her union with a Kṣatriya, (a son named) Asanga, and, (later on) from another union with a Brāhmaṇa, (a second son named) Vasubandhu were born. [115 b.]¹⁰⁰⁴). The mother drew on their tongues the letter A and performed all the other rites in order to secure for them an acute intellectual faculty.

When they grew older, they asked about the business of their fathers. But the mother said: — I have not born you for that. You must purify your minds and expound the Doctrine. — Accordingly, the younger brother departed to Kashmir to the teacher Sanghabhadra. The elder in his turn became possessed of the intention of propagating the Doctrine, after having secured the help of Maitreya. In order to propitiate (the latter) he took up his abode in the cave of the mountain Kukkuṭapādaparvata. For 3 years he made his propitiation, but as he did not see the slightest sign of success, he was greatly disappointed. Having gone out, he saw an old man who was making needles out of a pole of iron by rubbing it with a piece of cotton. How have the needles been produced? — asked he. The old man replied: —

If a man possessed of moral strength

Wishes to accomplish something,

He never meets with failure,

However difficult the work may be.

¹⁰⁰¹) Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 94.

¹⁰⁰²) Ibid. p. 95 sqq.

¹⁰⁰³) Gsal-baḥi-tshul-khrims. Schiefner has: Prakāçaçilā.

¹⁰⁰⁴) Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 107 sqq.

If he does not lose his patience,
He can break mountains with the palm of his hand.

Accordingly, (Asanga) continued his propitiation for another 6 years, and thus spent altogether 9 years (in his meditation). Then he went out and saw how a rock was gradually destroyed by drops of water and by the wings of birds (that constantly touched it in their flight). But, after he had propitiated for 12 years and saw no sign (of success) he became full of grief and went out again. As he was about to go away, he saw a dog; the lower part of its body was eaten by worms, but the upper part (was still free) and it was barking and biting. (Asanga) became full of Commiseration and, seeing that if he were to remove the worms, the latter would perish and if not, — the dog would die, he became resolved to cut flesh from his body and remove (the worms) by attracting them with it. Accordingly, he went to the town called Acinta and, having pledged his mendicant's staff, obtained a golden knife. (With this) he cut off flesh from his body. Then, thinking that if he would take (the worms) with his hand, they would nevertheless perish, he shut his eyes and was about to take them off with his tongue. (At that moment) the dog disappeared, and he beheld Maitreya, full of light. (And thus did he address him): —

O my father, my unique refuge,
I have exerted myself in a hundred different ways,
But nevertheless no result was to be seen.
Wherefore have the rain-clouds and the might of the ocean,
Come only now when, tormented by violent pain,
I am no longer thirsting? [116 a.] —

With such efforts have I tried to propitiate (thee), but not even a sign did appear. Scant is therefore thy Commiseration. — In such a way did he reproach (Maitreya). The Venerable One said: —

Though the king of the gods sends down rain,
A bad seed is unable to grow.
Though the Buddhas may appear (in this world)
He who is unworthy cannot partake of the bliss¹⁰⁰⁵.

I was here from the very beginning, but thou couldst not see me, owing to thy own obscurations. Now, as great Commiseration

¹⁰⁰⁵) Abhisamayālaṃkāra VIII. 10. — *varṣaty api hi parjanye naivā' bījam prarohati / samutpāde' pi buddhānām nā' bhavyo bhadram aṣnute //*

has become originated in thee, thou hast got purified and canst now behold me. (In order to see) that this is really so, raise me up on thy shoulder and show me (to the people). — Asanga did so, and as Maitreya could not be perceived (by anyone else, Asanga) believed (that his words were true).

Now, what is thy desire? — (asked Maitreya). Asanga replied: — I am searching for instructions, how to expound the Mahāyānist Doctrine. — Then take hold of my robes, — said (Maitreya) and they rose up to the Tuṣita heavens. (There Asanga) is said to have resided for 1 moment according to the time-calculation of the gods, which moment is equal to 50 or 53 human years. The scholiast of the *Yogacaryā-bhūmi* in his turn says that he resided there 6 months and heard (the Doctrine of Maitreya). Accordingly he listened to (the exposition of) the Prajñāpāramitā-sūtras, the great *Yogacaryā-bhūmi*, and numerous Mahāyānist Sūtras. Then he prayed (Maitreya) to compose a treatise elucidating the meaning of these texts and, as a consequence, the 5 works of Maitreya were delivered to him. Such was the state of things according to the teacher Haribhadra and others. In the *Marmakaumudī*¹⁰⁰⁶) we read: — After the (Mahāyānist) Scripture had been rehearsed, (there were topics) contained in it, which were of exclusively profound meaning and exceedingly hard to apprehend. As there was no possibility of understanding (these subjects), the Saint Maitreya, guided by mercy, in order to make them intelligible, has elucidated them by means of the *Abhisamayālaṃkāra-kārikā-ṣāstra*. There are some who say that Maitreya has composed (this treatise) later at the request of Āryāśāṅga. Others say that Haribhadra and the rest commit an error in affirming this, and that it was communicated (to Asanga) after having been composed before. This opinion of the others (we do not share).

Moreover, some consider that [116 b.] according to the point of view of the teacher Ratnākaraṣānti, the *Abhidharmasamuccaya*

¹⁰⁰⁶) The work of Abhayākara-gupta, one of the 21 Commentaries on the Abhisamayālaṃkāra. Tg. MDO. XI. 3 b. 5—4 a. 1. Cf. also Haribhadra's Abhisamayālaṃkāra-āloka, MS. Minaev, 57 a. 16—b. 1. sqq. — *vidita-samasta-pravacana-artha-labdha-adhigamo' py Āryāśāṅgaḥ punarukta-bāhulyena apunarukta-pradeṣe' pi pratyeka-pada-vyavaccheda-adarśanena gāmbhīryāc ca Prajñāpāramitārtham unnetum aṣṭakau daurmanasyam anuprāptaḥ / tatas tam uddiṣṣya Maitreyaḥ bhagavatā Prajñāpāramitā-sūtram vyākhyātam Abhisamayālaṃkāra-kārikā-ṣāstram ca kṛtam / tac chrutvā punar Āryāśāṅgena Ācārya-Vasubandhu-prabhṛtibhiḥ ca vyākhyātam //*

was likewise composed by Maitreya. However we follow the usual tradition, viz. that Maitreya is the author only of the 5 treatises bearing his name.

Having heard (the exposition of these treatises, Asanga) returned into the human world. Thereafter he composed his great treatise in 5 divisions¹⁰⁰⁷) in which the Mahāyānist Code, i. e. the chief subjects of the Yogācāra Doctrine, or, (otherwise) all the 3 Codes of Scripture have been thoroughly dealt with. The contents of this work is summarized in the 2 short treatises likewise composed by him¹⁰⁰⁸), the *Abhidharmasamuccaya* being a summary (of the teaching that is) common to all the 3 Vehicles. Some say that, since the teacher Abhayākara-gupta calls the *Abhidharmasamuccaya* a Mahāyānist treatise, it is not proper to consider it to be a compendium relating to all the 3 Vehicles. There is no mistake in this. It is a Mahāyānist treatise, but this does not contradict the fact that it demonstrates the subjects that refer to all the 3 Vehicles. Moreover, Āryaśāṅga, having written down the 5 treatises of Maitreya, composed the *Tattva-viniścaya*¹⁰⁰⁹) in which the subjects of the *Abhisamayālaṅkāra* and the *Prajñā-pāramitā* are demonstrated (*en regard*), the Commentary on the *Uttaratantra*¹⁰¹⁰), the Commentary on the *Samādhinirmōcana-sūtra*¹⁰¹¹) and other works. He has attained the 3d Stage of Bodhisattva perfection and has through this worked for the weal of the Doctrine. It is said in the *Prasphuṭapadā*¹⁰¹²), the work explaining the Small Commentary¹⁰¹³): — The teacher Asanga has attained the 3d Stage called Prabhākari. — Nevertheless, in order to convert Vasubandhu, he

¹⁰⁰⁷) Cf. vol. I. p. 54, 55, 56.

¹⁰⁰⁸) The Mahāyāna-saṅgraha and Abhidharma-samuccaya. Ibid. p. 56.

¹⁰⁰⁹) De-ñid-rnam-ñes. Cf. the introductory verses to Haribhadra's Abhisamayālaṅkāra-śloka — *bhāṣyaṁ tattva-viniścaye racitavān prajñāvatām agrāṇi / Āryaśāṅga iti prabhāṣvara-yaçāḥ* . . . Tson-kha-pa in his Legs-bçad sñin-po, Tsan Ed. 20 b. 2—4. is of the opinion that this Tattva-viniścaya could not have been composed by Asanga.

¹⁰¹⁰) Known in the Tibetan tradition by the abridged title Thogs-ñgrel = Asanga-vṛtti, its full title being Mahāyāna-uttaratantra-çāstra-vyākhyā. (Tg. MDO. XLIV.) Translated by me with the main work and published in the Acta Orientalia, vol. IX. Cf. my introduction to it, p. 90 and 93.

¹⁰¹¹) Tg. MDO. XXXIV.

¹⁰¹²) Tg. MDO. VIII. 9 b. 5—6. (N.)

¹⁰¹³) Ĥgrel-chuñ. This is the Commentary of Haribhadra on the Abhisamayālaṅkāra (without direct reference to the Prajñā-pāramitā-sūtras), called Sphuṭārthā (Ĥgrel-pa Don-gsal), Tg. MDO. VII.

has taught from the standpoint of the Vijñānavāda¹⁰¹⁴). (In the *Mādhyamika-alaṅkāra*) it is said: —

The subject-matter here are the 2 Aspects of Reality,
Which are vindicated by Logic and Scripture,
Which have been expounded by Maitreya and Asanga,
And are likewise acknowledged by Nāgārjuna.

In the *Cittamātrālaṅkāra*¹⁰¹⁵) we have, in the place where this verse is explained, as follows: — Maitreya is a Bodhisattva abiding on the 10th Stage, Asanga is a Bodhisattva on the 3d Stage, and Nāgārjuna is a Bodhisattva who has attained the first Stage¹⁰¹⁶).

Now, in the Commentary on the first part of the *Yogacaryā-bhūmi*¹⁰¹⁷) it is said: — [117 a.]

I make my salutations to him who is called Asanga,
Who for the sake of helping the living beings,
Has secured, by the force of the Dharmasrotāḥ-samādhi,
The nectar of the Highest Doctrine that poured forth
From that precious vessel, — the mouth of the Saint
Maitreya,

And has drunk it by means of his ears.

And at the end of the *Vivaraṇa-saṅgraha*¹⁰¹⁷): — The Saint Asanga has crossed the sea of his own philosophical Doctrine and that of others, has attained the special form of meditative trance called the Dharmasrotāḥ-samādhi¹⁰¹⁸), and has touched with his head the feet of the Holy Unconquerable (Maitreya) resembling immaculate lotus flowers. — Some say that according to these passages, Asanga was abiding in the state of meditation called Dharmasrotāḥ. As this state exists on the Path of Accumulating Merit¹⁰¹⁹), (Asanga) is not really a Saint, but is conventionally called so, just as a

¹⁰¹⁴) According to the standpoint of the Mādhyamikas which is acknowledged by the Tibetan tradition, a Saint (Ārya) who has attained the Stages of Bodhisattva perfection, must in any case be an adherent of the Mādhyamika point of view.

¹⁰¹⁵) Sems-tsam-rgyan, the work of Ratnākaraçānti. Full title: Mādhyamika-alaṅkāra-vṛtti Mādhyamika-pratipadā-siddhi. Tg. MDO. LXI. The verse quoted is: fol. 120 a. 1—2. (N.)

¹⁰¹⁶) Ibid. fol. 120 a. 5.

¹⁰¹⁷) Sañi-stod-ñgrel. Tg. MDO. LIV. 77 b. 4. (N.)

¹⁰¹⁸) Tg. MDO. LIV. 77 a. 7—b. 1.

¹⁰¹⁹) *chos-rgyun-tiñ-ñe-ñdzin*.

¹⁰²⁰) *tshogs-lam* = *sambhāra-mārga*.

cause is sometimes metaphorically designated by the name of the effect (which it produces)¹⁰²⁰).

This is not correct. It is true that the Teacher Haribhadra speaks of the Dharmasrotah-samādhi as attained on the Path of Accumulating Merit. He does not however say that it ceases to exist after that. Therefore (Haribhadra's statement) does not prove the fact of (Asanga's being) a worldling. In the Great Sub-commentary on the *Sūtrālamkāra*¹⁰²¹) it is said that the Dharmasrotah-samādhi ends simultaneously with the Stage of Action in Faith¹⁰²²). And in the Sub-Commentary of Bhadanta Asvabhāva¹⁰²³) we read that the Dharmasrotah-samādhi represents the Degree of Highest Mundane Virtues¹⁰²⁴). Now the latter and the Path of Illumination become originated directly one after the other. It is thus perfectly clear that Asanga is a Saint in the direct sense of the word. It is said that the duration of his life was 500 years, but (in reality) he lived 150 years. And the Mahāyānist Doctrine became greatly spread owing to him.

[The Teacher Vasubandhu.]

Vasubandhu received his education in the school of Sanghabhadra in Kashmir. A great number of Pratyekabuddhas had before expressed in their entreaties the desire that that country should be the place where the Abhidharma was to be greatly spread. Moreover, in the point concerning the medical instructions¹⁰²⁵) (of the *Vinayavastu*) it was foretold to be the most sublime spot, suitable for the highest transcendental contemplation¹⁰²⁶). [117 b.] (Accordingly) some time before, the Arhats Čāntimān, Kubjita¹⁰²⁷) and many others had composed a treatise called the *Mahāvibhāṣa* containing 100 000 Ćlokas in which the 7 Abhidharma treatises and the Vinaya were summarized. In the *Prabhāvatī*¹⁰²⁸) it is said that this work was composed by Upagupta. In the Commentary of Yaçomitra¹⁰²⁹) the work is called "the Commentary resembling

¹⁰²⁰) *kāraṇe kāryopacārāt.* ¹⁰²¹) Tg. MDO. XLVI.

¹⁰²²) *mos-pas-spyod-paḥi-sa = adhimukti-caryā-bhūmi.*

¹⁰²³) Btsun-pa No-bo-nid-med-paḥi ḡrel-bčad. Tg. MDO. XLV. 110b. 2. (N.)

¹⁰²⁴) *ḡjig-rten-paḥi chos-kyi-mchog = laukika-agra-dharma.*

¹⁰²⁵) Luṇ-sman-gyi-gži. ¹⁰²⁶) *lhaḡ-mihoṇ = vipaçyanā.*

¹⁰²⁷) Sgur-po. ¹⁰²⁸) Tg. MDO. LXXXIX. 91 b. b, 92 a. 6.

¹⁰²⁹) Rgyal-sras-ma. This is the name by which Yaçomitra's Abhidharma-koça-vyākhyā is known in the Tibetan tradition, Rgyal-sras = Rājaputra, being an epithet of Yaçomitra.

the ocean"¹⁰³⁰). This is a poetical comparison of the Vibhāṣā with an ocean. It does not mean that "the Ocean" (Sāgara) is another name for the Vibhāṣā, just as "the Vibhāṣā-Treasury" (Vibhāṣakoça)¹⁰³¹) by which name the work is sometimes designated. (Vasubandhu) studied the *Vibhāṣā* and the 7 Abhidharma-treatises and apprehended without difficulty. After that he resolved to go back to India. At that time the customs were surveyed by a Yakṣa who robbed Vasubandhu of the image of his tutelary deity and thrice sent him back. But, as Vasubandhu had no riches except the Doctrine that was in his mind and could not be taken from him, he was at length permitted to pass and came to Nālanda where his elder brother had composed numerous treatises. Having heard the contents of these, (Vasubandhu) said: —

Alas, Asanga, residing in the forest,

Has practised meditation for 12 years.

Without having attained anything by this meditation,

He has founded a system, so difficult and burdensome,

That it can be carried only by an elephant!¹⁰³²) —

In such a way he expressed his contempt with the Mahāyānist Doctrine and with the person who expounded it. The elder brother heard about this and, knowing that the incorrect activity (of Vasubandhu) would be of no use (to the latter), resolved to convert him. So he ordered two of his pupils to take the *Daçabhūmaka* and the *Akṣayamati-nirdeça*, went to the younger brother and said to him: — Recite these in the morning and in the evening. — Vasubandhu, having done as he was ordered, said in the evening: — The Great Vehicle possesses good factors, but the result seems to deviate (from the correct path). — But at daybreak (he spoke otherwise): — The factors and the result are both of them sublime. Cut out this my tongue which has depreciated (such a Doctrine)! [118 a.] Accordingly he sought for a razor to do this, but the 2 pupils said: — Do not seek to cut out thy tongue. Thy elder brother possesses a means for removing thy obscurations. Go therefore to him. — (Vasubandhu) accordingly went and repeatedly listened to the exposition of the Doctrine. When the religious questions were being settled by means of controversy, the younger brother had quick and sudden flashes of idea¹⁰³³), whereas the elder re-

¹⁰³⁰) B. B. 1. 8 — Abhidharma-bhāṣya-sāgara. ¹⁰³¹) Bye-brag-bčad-mdzod.

¹⁰³²) Cf. Schiefner, *Tārānātha*, p. 119. ¹⁰³³) *spobs-pa = pratibhāna.*

quired some time in order to give a good answer. What is the cause of this? — asked Vasubandhu. — (Asanga replied): — Thou hast been a Pandit during 500 repeated births, and therefore the Analytic Wisdom acquired by thee in thy previous existence is exceedingly great. With myself this is not the case. Therefore, I give reply after having questioned my tutelary deity. — (Vasubandhu) then prayed to show him (this deity). Asanga said that it was necessary to pray the Most Venerable One (Maitreya) and, having done this, said: — Thou art an ordinary worldly being. As thou hast formerly depreciated the Great Vehicle, thou art not worthy of seeing (Maitreya) in this life. In order to remove thy obscurations, thou must compose numerous Commentaries on the Mahāyānistic sūtras and read the *Uṣṇīṣa-vijaya*¹⁰³⁴. In the next birth thou shalt then meet (with Maitreya). Thereupon (Vasubandhu) became full of faith in his elder brother and said: —

My brother resembles a Nāga,
And I am like the Cātaka bird.
The king of the Nāgas sends down rain,
But it does not enter the beak of the bird. —

He then secured that mystic power which is peculiar to the word of Maitreya, composed the aphorisms of the *Abhidharmakośa* and sent them with presents to Sanghabhadra. The pupils of the latter said: — The words “so they say”, “this is affirmed”¹⁰³⁵ (which Vasubandhu uses when quoting the opinion of the Vaibhāṣikas with which he does not agree) show a depreciation of our philosophical system. But (the teacher said) that Vasubandhu, being skilful in composing treatises, had only used poetical forms of expression. He greatly rejoiced and composed a Commentary (on the *Abhidharmakośa*) in accordance with the Sūtras. Later on (Vasubandhu) wrote his own Commentary (on the *Kośa*) and sent it (to Sanghabhadra). The latter said: — This Commentary refutes the main text, is itself in conflict with Scripture and Logic, and can be defeated by means of both. One must make (Vasubandhu) destroy it with his own hands. [118 b.] Accordingly, he composed a treatise containing his objections (with the work of Vasubandhu) and then resolved to go to India. Vasubandhu heard about this and thought: — The teacher Sanghabhadra is profoundly versed in the

¹⁰³⁴) Gtsug-tor-rnam-rgyal. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 121.

¹⁰³⁵) lo or grag = kila. Cf. Abh. kośa. I. kār. 3.

Doctrine of the Vaibhāṣikas. It is therefore difficult to refute him and, moreover it is unsuitable that I should vanquish him. I would better go to Nepal, having declared that I go to see the self-originated sanctuary. He accordingly departed to Nepal. Thereafter the teacher Sanghabhadra set forth with the numerous monks who were his adherents, so that the horizon was red from the colour of their religious robes, and arrived at Nālanda where he attained Nirvāṇa. —

The teacher Vasubandhu, whilst he was residing in Nepal, once came to see a monk called Handu who, though bearing the outward attributes of a monk, did not act according to the religious rules and obeisances and carried (on his shoulder) a pot of wine. Alas! the Doctrine will undergo ruin, — said Vasubandhu, became full of grief, recited the *Uṣṇīṣa-vijaya-dhāraṇī* in the reverse order and died. A monument was erected at that place, which is said to exist till the present day. —

In short (Vasubandhu) entered the religious order after having been a high-born representative of the Brāhmaṇa caste, he had been a Pandit during 500 previous births, had apprehended the meaning of 99 or 80 divisions of the *Çatasāhasrikā* and appreciated them in his mind, had recited aloud for 12 days, having confined himself in a tub of oil, was possessed of the wealth [*vasu*] of the Highest Wisdom and, having propagated the Doctrine out of mercy, had become the friend [*bandhu*] of the living beings. It is accordingly said¹⁰³⁶): —

It (the *Abhidharmakośa*) is composed by him who is called Vasubandhu,
Who, being the highest of Sages, was spoken of by the living world
As the Second Buddha, and was the true friend of the living beings. —

We read moreover in the Commentary on the first part of the *Yogacaryā-bhūmi*¹⁰³⁷): —

The Saint Asanga [119 a.] has adorned that enchanted tree which is the Buddha.

With the rain of the flowers of words that spring forth from its branches which are the sermons (of the Lord).

¹⁰³⁶) Abhidharmakośa-vyākhyā, B. B. I. 4—6.

¹⁰³⁷) Tg. MDO. LIV. 77 b. 4—5. (N.)

His younger brother represents the treasury of Wisdom and is full of glory.

It is he, the most venerable, to whom I make my salutations. —

The teacher thus greatly praised, has composed the following works: —

1. The main aphorisms of the *Abhidharmakośa* and the Commentary thereon which explain the Scripture of the first period and investigate it by the sharp weapon of Logic,

2. The Commentary on the text of the (3) *Prajñā-pāramitā Sūtras* in which the subjects of the Scripture of the intermediate period are demonstrated from the idealistic standpoint¹⁰³⁸),

3. The 8 *Prakaraṇas* in which the Latest Scripture is spoken of as being of direct meaning¹⁰³⁹).

Moreover, he has composed numerous Commentaries on Sūtras, viz. the *Daṣabhūmaka*,¹⁰⁴⁰,

the *Akṣayamati-nirdeśa*¹⁰⁴¹,

the *Gayāçirṣa*¹⁰⁴²).

the *Ṣaṇmukha-dhāraṇī*¹⁰⁴³),

the *Caturdharmaka*¹⁰⁴⁴), etc.

Furthermore, his is the Commentary on the *Dharma-dharma-tā-vibhanga*, as well as numerous other works. In the Commentary on the *Aṣṭasāhasrikā* it is said:¹⁰⁴⁵)

¹⁰³⁸) Cf. vol. I. p. 53. According to Tson-kha-pa's Gser-phreñ, (Labran Edition I.5 a. 4. sqq.) and the Skabs-brgyad-ka of Jam-yan-zad-pa (Chilutai Edition I.5 b. 6) the standpoint of Bu-ton regarding the authorship of this work is considered to be incorrect. The said authorities maintain that the author of this Commentary on the *Prajñā-pāramitā* was not Vasubandhu, but the Kashmirian Daṃṣṭrāsena, as is acknowledged by the older tradition.

¹⁰³⁹) *ñes-don* = *nītartha*. Cf. vol. I. p. 56, 57.

¹⁰⁴⁰) Tg. MDO. XXXIV. 130—335. (Pek.)

¹⁰⁴¹) Tg. MDO. XXXV.

¹⁰⁴²) Tg. MDO. XXXIV. 90—96. (Pek.)

¹⁰⁴³) Ibid. 81—83. (Pek.)

¹⁰⁴⁴) Ibid. 83—84. (Pek.)

¹⁰⁴⁵) Cf. above, note 1009. — *bhāṣyaṃ tattva-viññāyā racitavān prajñāvatām agraṇī Āryasāṅga iti prabhāṣvara-yaśas tat-karṭṭṭ-sāmarthyataḥ / bhāvābhāva-vibhāga-pakṣa-nipūṇa-jñānābhīmānonnata ācārya Vasubandhur arthakathane prāptiādarah paddhatau* // The *paddhati* (*gṛuṇ-hṡrel*) mentioned by Haribhadra in this verse is considered by Bu-ton as being the Commentary on the 3 *Prajñā-pāramitā-sūtras* (Tg. MDO. XIV) just mentioned. — Tson-kha-pa is of the opinion that this *paddhati* is a separate Commentary on the *Pañcaviṃṣati-sāhasrikā*. He says that Bu-ton has confounded this text with the Commentary on the 3 *Prajñā-pāramitā-sūtras*, owing to the fact of its being sometimes designated by the title *Gnod-hjoms* which is likewise applied to the latter Commentary.

The Saint Asanga endowed with the most magnificent glory, And being the foremost of those possessed of Highest Wisdom, Has composed the Commentary establishing the true state of things¹⁰⁴⁶);

Inspired by this work, the teacher Vasubandhu, exceedingly proud

Of his knowledge, skilful in the field of discrimination

Of that which is a reality by itself and not, (has composed)

His Commentary and obtained fame by his exposition of the meaning.

According to the tradition, this teacher had 4 pupils who were even more learned than himself¹⁰⁴⁷). These are: —

1. The Teacher Sthiramati^{1047a}).

This was a Paṇḍit more learned (than Vasubandhu) in the Abhidharma. At the time when the teacher Vasubandhu resided in Bhāgavihāra, sitting in a brazen tub filled with oil and reading aloud the 80 divisions of the *Çatasāhasrikā*, a dove was constantly listening to him. [119 b.] Finally, this dove died and was reborn in Daṇḍakāraṇya¹⁰⁴⁸) as the son of a Çūdra. Immediately after he was born, he asked: — Where is my teacher? — Who is thy teacher?, — was the question. — Vasubandhu, — said he. Thereupon the father, having inquired from the merchants who were going to Central India, came to know that (Vasubandhu) was residing there. Accordingly, when the boy grew a little older, he went to the teacher Vasubandhu. The latter began by teaching to him the alphabet, and the boy studied, till he became proficient in the 5 sciences. Whilst he was still a child, he made an offering to the statue of Tārā that was at Nālanda, by putting into the hand (of the statue) a handful of beans, thinking (that the goddess) would eat them. He accordingly presented his beans, but they rolled down. Again he offered them and again they rolled down. Thinking that it was unsuitable for him to eat himself, if the goddess did not accept his offering, he presented again and again. And, as the beans again rolled down, the child began to weep. Then the goddess appeared directly before him and said: — Weep not; I have blessed thee. Therefore go home in peace! —

¹⁰⁴⁶) *Tattva-viññāyā*, Cf. above.

^{1047a}) Cf. Schiefner, *Tārānātha*, p. 129.

¹⁰⁴⁷) *rai-las-mkhas-pa*.

¹⁰⁴⁸) *Mthaḥ-hkhob-hdra-ma*.

After that he became possessed of unimpeded Highest Wisdom. That statue, in its turn, became known as "Tārā with the beans".

This teacher has studied the *Ratnakūṭa* up to the 49th chapter and it is said that he has composed a Commentary to it¹⁰⁴⁹). At that time the fame of his learning became widely spread. The king Çriharsa, the alms-giver of the teacher Guṇaprabha, once asked who was at that time famous in the field of the Doctrine? — The answer was: —

The venerable Guṇaprabha has been made a Paṇḍit through royal grace,

But only the teacher Sthiramati is the one who has mastered all the sciences.

This teacher has composed the Commentary on the *Abhidharmakośa* called the *Karakāṇi*¹⁰⁵⁰) [120 a.], the Commentary on the *Abhidharma-samuccaya*, the Commentaries on the 8 treatises (of Vasubandhu) and numerous other works.

A certain Tibetan mentions the following tradition: — After the (heretical) beggar had, by propitiating the sun, caused the sacred texts to be burnt, the teacher Sthiramati, having recited the *Ratnakūṭa* by heart, became full of pride and said: —

If you put my wisdom on one side,
And the knowledge of others on the opposite,
And weigh both on a balance,
My wisdom will turn to be the heavier. —

As the consequence of this pride he became reborn as a pig. Having examined the sound of his grunting, he thought: —

Before, I have been the teacher Sthiramati,
But now, owing to my pride,
Have been reborn in the belly of a sow.
However, afterwards, when I have died,
I will depart to the region of Tuṣita. —

According to my opinion, this (legend) is contradictory as regards time. Moreover, the persons of whom the Buddha had foretold that they were to be the guardians of the Doctrine, cannot fall into Evil Births.

The pupil of Sthiramati was Pūrṇavardhana¹⁰⁵¹), and it is said

¹⁰⁴⁹) Tg. MDO. XXXVII. 244—350. (Pek.)

¹⁰⁵⁰) Tg. MDO. CXXIX. and CXXX.

¹⁰⁵¹) Gañ-ba-spel.

that the pupils of the latter were Jinamitra and Çilendrabodhi^{1051a}). This however must be examined.

The pupil of Vasubandhu who proved greater than his teacher in the field of Logic, was —

2. The Venerable Dignāga.

He was of Brāhmaṇic caste and was ordained by a teacher of the Vātsīputriya sect. Having received a perfect education in the school of worldly sciences, he received from his preceptor the instructions about the concentrated meditation for the removal (of the Obscurations). Then he was told to meditate over the principle of the Ego which was said to be inexpressible as being neither identical with the groups of elements, nor differing from them¹⁰⁵²). Having accordingly practised meditation, he could nowhere find such an Ego. Thinking that he was possessed of internal and external Obscurations, he kindled four great fires at the four directions and stripped his body of its clothing. (Having done this), he opened his eyes as wide as he could, but in spite of all his searches throughout the 10 quarters of the sky, he did not find the Ego. Whilst he was thus acting, he came to be seen by his friends who inquired [120 b.] the preceptor about this. The preceptor asked Dignāga wherefore he was doing so, and the answer was: — I am searching for the Ego. — The preceptor said: — Thou art overthrowing our own philosophical system. Therefore, be gone! — I have the power of refuting the preceptor by means of Logic, — thought Dignāga, — but it is not suitable for me to do so. Accordingly, he departed and finally came to the teacher Vasubandhu. With the latter he studied the texts of the 3 Vehicles, and became especially versed in the *Vijñānavāda* and in Logic. Thereafter the teacher, (knowing that) the cause of the Phenomenal Life of the living beings was the ignorance of the Truth, made it his intention to remove this (ignorance) and bring about the origination of its antidote, i. e. Highest Wisdom. For this sake he composed the Commentary on

^{1051a}) Cf. Cordier, Index du Bstan-hgyur II. p. 396 (on vol. LXVIII.) — Pūrṇavardhana alias élève de Sthiramati, et maître de Jinamitra et Çilendrabodhi. The editors of the Peking Tangyur acknowledge the tradition in regard of which Bu-ton expresses doubt.

¹⁰⁵²) This is the standpoint of the Vātsīputriyas. Cf. Conception of Buddhist Nirvāṇa, p. 31, note 1.

the *Abhidharmakośa*¹⁰⁵³), the Commentary on the *Guṇāparyanta-stotra*^{1053a}), the *Ālambana-parīkṣā*¹⁰⁵⁴) and other fragmentary works, 100 in number. But, as these treatises were mere fragments (without any system) he resolved to compose the *Pramāṇasamuccaya* in which (all the small treatises) would be united in one. Accordingly, in the cavern known by his name, he wrote on the side of a rock: —

I salute him who is the personified Logic,
Who pursues the weal of the living beings,
The Teacher, the Blessed One, the Protector¹⁰⁵⁵).

And, in order to demonstrate the means of Logical Proof,
I shall unite here under one head

The different fragments from all my other treatises¹⁰⁵⁶). —

As he thus wrote down just this salutation and that which he intended to expound, the earth trembled, a light blazed forth, a tremendous sound of thunder was heard, the legs of the heretical teachers became stiff like wood, and many other ominous signs appeared. At that time a heretical teacher named Kṛṣṇamunirāja¹⁰⁵⁷) was residing in the neighbourhood. This (teacher), perceiving with his most subtle supernatural faculty of vision, understood that (all the ominous signs) were produced by the force of Dignāga's words. Full of envy, he came by the track of the teacher when the latter had gone out for alms, and twice rubbed out the inscription. [121 a.] The teacher therefore wrote down the verse for a third time, and at the end: — Who has rubbed out this verse which has been written down by me? If this has been done out of mere mockery and jesting, one ought not to do so, for my verse pursues a great aim. If it is out of envy, (then it is likewise useless), since the verse is in my mind and cannot be rubbed out (from it). But

¹⁰⁵³) Abhidharma-kośa-marma-pradīpa, Tg. MDO. LXX. 144—286. The text in the Tāngyur represents nothing, but an abridged rendering of Vasubandhu's auto-commentary.

^{1053a}) Tg. BSTOD. I. 234—237. The Stotra itself is the work of Ratnadāsa

¹⁰⁵⁴) Tg. MDO. XCV. 177—179.

¹⁰⁵⁵) The Sanskrit text of the first half of this verse is preserved in Yaśomitra's *Abhidharmakośa-vyākhyā*, B. B. p. 3. — *pramāṇa-bhūṭāya jagad-dhītaṣiṇe praṇamya cāstre sugatāya tātine* /

¹⁰⁵⁶) Iyengar restores this as follows: — *pramāṇa-siddhyai sva-kṛti-prakīrṇanāt nibadhyate viprasṛtam samuccitam* // Cf. Schiefner, *Tārānātha*, p. 132, 133, etc.

¹⁰⁵⁷) Nag-po-thub-rgyal. *Tārānātha* has simply Kṛṣṇa.

if he (who has done this) is able to enter upon controversy in order to upset (my theses), let him show himself and we shall discuss. — So did he write. Again the ominous signs appeared and again (the heretic) came. Seeing the words "we shall discuss" he remained there. When the teacher, having made his turn for alms, came back, they met, and the Doctrine (of each of them) was made the pledge of conquest. So they began to dispute, and the heretic was vanquished twice and thrice. (Then the teacher said): — Thou must now adopt my Doctrine. The heretic was enraged, caused flames to burst out from his mouth, and burned down all the requisites of the teacher; the latter himself underwent the danger of being consumed. (Dignāga), full of grief, thought: — Surely, it was my intention to act for the sake of all living beings. But now I see that I cannot further the weal even of one single heretic. Therefore I shall do better if I realize the bliss of Quiescence for the benefit of my own self¹⁰⁵⁸). He threw upward the peace of chalk (with which he had written), thinking: — As soon (as the chalk) touches the ground, I will give up my Creative Effort (of a Bodhisattva). But (the chalk) did not fall on the ground, and (suddenly) Mañjuçrī himself appeared before him saying: — My son, do not, do not do so. Thou hast met with Hinayānist teachings, and unworthy thoughts have become originated in thee. Know thou that this host of heretics can do no harm to this thy work. I will be thy protector till the time when thou shalt attain the Stages (of a Bodhisattva). And in future times thy work will be the unique authority¹⁰⁵⁹) for all scientific treatises. In such a manner, as some say, did (Mañjuçrī) grant his assistance (to Dignāga). In Dharmottara's Commentary on the *Pramāṇa-viniścaya*¹⁰⁶⁰) it is said: — [121 b.] At the time when the teacher Dignāga was practising meditation in a solitary cavern, in one of the Stages (of this meditation) he became averse to the Sāmsāra and possessed of the desire of turning away from the cause of the living beings and of attaining deliverance exclusively for himself. At that moment the Saint Mañjuçrī appeared before him and said: — My son, thou hast become possessed of a state of mind fearing every contact with sinful beings. Accordingly, though thy mind has the power of helping all that lives, thou nevertheless showest indiffe-

¹⁰⁵⁸) I. e. seek the salvation of the Hinayānist Saint.

¹⁰⁵⁹) Lit. "the eye".

¹⁰⁶⁰) Tg. MDO. CIX and CX.

rence (to their cause). Wherefore is this so? — The answer was: — O Lord, this Phenomenal Life is endowed with much suffering and is hard to bear. I am unable to sustain it, and my mind that is attached to the sinful living beings, becomes unsteady. I see thee now, but of what use will this be (to me) if thou dost not bless me? — Mañjuçrī replied: — My son, as long as thou hast not attained the Stages of a Bodhisattva, I myself will be thy guide. — Having spoken thus, he became invisible. — In the Commentary of the Kashmirian Jñānaçrī¹⁰⁶¹) we read: — As long as thou hast not attained the state of a Buddha. —

The teacher (Dignāga), accordingly, composed the *Pramāṇa-samuccaya* with its autocommentary, refuted all the heretics, and greatly furthered the spread of the Doctrine. One of his pupils was Īçvarasena¹⁰⁶²) who was versed in the 5 branches of science and composed a Subcommentary on the *Pramāṇa-samuccaya*. —

[The Teacher Dharmakīrti.]

The pupil of Īçvarasena was Dharmakīrti. The latter was born in the southern kingdom of Cūḍāmaṇi¹⁰⁶³) in a heretical Brāhmaṇic family and, while still a child, became well trained in grammar. Once, as he took from his uncle, the heretical teacher Kumārila¹⁰⁶⁴) the garments of a Brāhmaṇic heretical ascetic [122 a.], the uncle spoke abusively to him and drove him away. The teacher then made his resolve to vanquish all the heretics. Accordingly, he took orders in the Buddhist church, received the necessary training, and then expressed his special wish of studying the *Pramāṇa-samuccaya* with the teacher Īçvarasena 3 times. Having heard to its exposition, he first understood it in the conception of Īçvarasena. The second time he understood it so, as Dignāga himself (intended its meaning to be), and seeing that there were errors in the views of Īçvarasena, he prayed to expound it a third time. (Īçvarasena) said: — Dignāga had no other pupil who were like me. I myself have no other pupil akin to thee. It is not the custom to give an explanation on every separate point. I have commented twice. There is no use of explaining now (the dubious points) exclusively. There are other affairs of a Paṇḍit that are to be attended

¹⁰⁶¹) Ibid. CX. ¹⁰⁶²) Dbañ-phyug-sde.

¹⁰⁶³) Gtsug-gi-nor-bu.

¹⁰⁶⁴) Gžon-nu-ma-len. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 177. note 5.

to. Prepare stuff for a wick and oil (for a lamp), and in the evening I shall explain again. (Dharmakīrti) did so. After having perfectly cognized that the effect makes it possible to cognize the character of the cause¹⁰⁶⁵) (that has produced it) he told this to the teacher in the form of a *pūrvapakṣa*. Īçvarasena was delighted and said: — Now take the part of an opponent (*pūrvapakṣa*) against the erroneous points of my system and compose a Commentary on the *Pramāṇa-samuccaya*. — In such a way he expressed his consent. —

Thereafter, the teacher, in order to apprehend the secret terms of the Sāṃkhya system, assumed the form of a slave, became the servant of his uncle's wife and, as the latter was very pleased with him, he told her that it was necessary for him to inquire about the weak points of the system. She said: — Ask thou at the time of merriment and thou shalt apprehend. Accordingly, he fastened a cord to the leg of the woman. At every difficult point he pulled the cord, and (the woman having told him), he apprehended all that he wanted, [122 b.] came to know the secret points of the system¹⁰⁶⁶), and became known as superior (to all his adversaries). At that time he issued the following proclamation: — If there is somewhere a learned man, may he enter upon dispute (with me). — After this had been made known, the greater part (of the heretical teachers) fled to other countries. Those who tried to dispute were vanquished by (the words of) the Doctrine, entered the Path of it and made the following solemn utterance; —

If the sun of sublime speech
That is called Dharmakīrti goes down,
The elements of virtue that were awakened will die
And all that is sinful will again rise up. —

And those who sung his praise, said: —

We salute the teacher,
Him who is called Dharmakīrti,
Who is preeminent by vanquishing his adversaries
Amongst the heretics, skilful in Logic and Speech.

Thereafter the teacher travelled through many countries and cities and finally came to the gates (of the residence) of the king Ut-

¹⁰⁶⁵) I. e. the *kārya-anumāna*.

¹⁰⁶⁶) Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 177.

phullapuṣpa¹⁰⁶⁷). The king asked: — Who is at present famed as a Paṇḍit? — (The teacher) replied: —

O Utphullapuṣpa, thou who art endowed with great merit, say

Who is victorious in all the countries except me,
Who am possessed of perfect Wisdom (like) Dignāga,
Of purest speech like Candragomin,

And am skilful in the prosody that comes from the poet
Cūra?!^{1067a}) —

Art thou Dharmakīrti? — asked the king. — By this name I am known, — was the answer. The king then invited him to reside (with him) and became his alms-giver. After that (Dharmakīrti) composed his 7 treatises¹⁰⁶⁸) and, finally, an auto-commentary on the first chapter of the *Pramāṇavārtika*. These treatises became current in the various schools, but (the scholars) for the greater part did not understand them. There were however a few who did apprehend their meaning, but these, moved by envy, declared them to be incorrect and fastened them to the tail of a dog. But the teacher said: — The dog will make its way through villages and hamlets, and the treatises will in such a manner become spread about. And, as they say, he wrote at the head of the *Pramāṇavārtika* as follows: — [123 a.] The living beings for the greater part are attached to that which is base and are not possessed of wisdom and energy. Therefore they not only care not for sublime words, but, polluted by envy, show hatred (in regard of them). For this reason, the thought that this (treatise) will be of help to others does not exist with me. But the mind which, during a long period of time, has become accustomed to fine words, will find delight in it, since it arouses its zeal. —

After that he ordered the Paṇḍit Devendrabuddhi¹⁰⁶⁹) to compose a Commentary (on the *Pramāṇavārtika*. Devendrabuddhi did this once and gave it (to the teacher) for review, but (Dharmakīrti) washed it away with water. Devendrabuddhi wrote it another time, but (the teacher) burnt it with fire. After having composed it again, Devendrabuddhi presented it to the teacher saying: — The greater part (of the hearers) are unworthy and time does not

¹⁰⁶⁷) Me-tog-rgyas-pa. Tārānātha (Schiefner p. 181, note 3) has Me-tog-kun-tu-rgyas-pa.

^{1067a}) Ibid.

¹⁰⁶⁸) Cf. vol. I. p. 44, 45.

¹⁰⁶⁹) Lha-dbañ-blo.

wait. Therefore, as I have been instructed, I have made a summary and have composed here a commentary on the difficult points. — Dharmakīrti said: — The meaning which is expressed by suggestions and indirectly does not appear as it should be, but that which is expressed directly has a correct form. — However, thought he, — my Logic will never be rightly understood. — And, as runs the tradition, he added at the end of the *Pramāṇavārtika*: — Just as a river disappears in the ocean, so (this my science) will disappear and perish. —

The pupil of Devendrabuddhi was Čākyabuddhi who composed a Subcommentary. It is said that the pupil of this latter teacher was Prabhābuddhi¹⁰⁷⁰). Some say that Yamāri¹⁰⁷¹) was the pupil of Dharmakīrti himself, that (the author of) the *Pramāṇavārtika-alamkāra*^{1071a}) obtained instructions from the dead body (of Dharmakīrti), that the pupil (of this author) was Vinītadeva and the pupil of the latter Dharmottara. But in the Commentary it is said that Dharmottara was the pupil of Dharmākaradatta¹⁰⁷²) and Kalyāṇarakṣita¹⁰⁷³). Yamāri has composed a Subcommentary on the *Pramāṇavārtika-alamkāra*^{1073a}). Vinītadeva and Čamkarānanda¹⁰⁷⁴) have written Commentaries on the 7 Treatises. [123 b.] So runs the tradition. —

The pupil of Vasubandhu who excelled him in the knowledge of the Prajñā-pāramitā was —

3. The Saint Vimuktasena.

He was the principal of many great monasteries, belonged (at first) to the sect of the Kaurukullakas and was the nephew of the teacher Buddhādāsa¹⁰⁷⁵). He attained the Stage of Joy¹⁰⁷⁶), and heard the Word of the Buddha himself. He composed the *Pañcaviṃśati-sāhasrikā-ālokā*¹⁰⁷⁷), a Commentary on the *Abhisamayālamkāra* in correspondence with the *Pañcaviṃśati-sāhasrikā*,

¹⁰⁷⁰) Ḥod-kyi-blo. ¹⁰⁷¹) Xyl. Dza-ma-ri.

^{1071a}) The work of Prajñākāragupta, Tg. MDO. XCIX. and C.

¹⁰⁷²) Chos-ḥbyuñ-byin. ¹⁰⁷³) Dge-sruñ.

^{1073a}) Full title: *Pramāṇavārtika-alamkāra-ṭikā* Supariçuddhā nāma, Tg. MDO. CIV. 208—345, CV., CVI. and CVII.

¹⁰⁷⁴) Bde-byed-dgaḥ-bo. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 188.

¹⁰⁷⁵) Sañs-rgyas-ḥbañs. Cf. Cordier, Index du Bstan-ḥgyur II, p. 273.

¹⁰⁷⁶) *rab-tu-dgaḥ-ba* = *pramudītā*.

¹⁰⁷⁷) Ņi-khri-snañ-ba, Kg. MDO. I. For the full title of this work, cf. vol. I, note 270.

elucidating the subjects of the *Prajñā-pāramitā*. The Bhadanta Vimuktasena has composed the *Abhisamayālamkāra-vārtika*¹⁰⁷⁸), and is considered by some to be the pupil of Ārya Vimuktasena. —

[The Teacher Haribhadra.]

(Now comes) in particular the biography of the teacher Haribhadra. In the eastern Khadira forest, in the trunk of a high tree there dwelt a tree-sprite. Now it happened that a shepherd of that country had died, and his beautiful wife was tending the sheep (in his stead). The tree-sprite mentioned had sexual intercourse with her, and (from their union) a remarkable son was born who was named Gopāla¹⁰⁷⁹). His father put him in possession of precious jewels, and, by the force of his virtues, he obtained the royal power over the whole of the country. It is by this king that the monastery of Nālanda was built. Gopāla's queen who had no power over the king, resolved to bring him under her influence and asked a Brāhmaṇa to give her magical power in order to accomplish this. The Brāhmaṇa brought from the Himālaya an enchanted drug, sealed it and handed it over to (the queen's) slave-girl. The latter, whilst crossing a bridge, fell down, and (the drug) was carried away by the stream, gradually reached the ocean, and was seized by the Nāga king who swallowed it up. Thus, by the force of the drug, the Nāga king, the sovereign of the ocean, became subjected to the power of the queen, united with her, [124 a.] and from this union a son named Āṣṛmad Dharmapāla¹⁰⁸⁰) was born. — At the time when, at an auspicious hour, the religious ceremonies were performed (over the child), the head of a serpent haughtily rose up. The king, enraged, resolved to cut it off, but a ring was shown to him, on which he beheld the characters of the Nāgas. He then continued to worship and after that devoted himself to the education (of the child)¹⁰⁸¹). When the latter grew up, he became possessed of the desire of building a temple more magnificent than all the others, and inquired the sooth-sayers (on this subject). The sooth-sayers said that it was necessary to make a wick out

¹⁰⁷⁸) Tg. MDO. II.Tsoñ-kha-pa in his Gser-phreñ (Labrañ Ed. I. 7 a. 6 and further on) expresses doubt as regards the authorship of this work.

¹⁰⁷⁹) Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 202.

¹⁰⁸⁰) Dpal-ldan Chos-skyoñ. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 208 and 209. According to Tār. this is not Dharmapāla, but Devapāla.

¹⁰⁸¹) Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 209.

of the cotton belonging to ascetics and Brāhmaṇas, to get oil from the houses of kings and merchants, to fetch an oil-burner from a place of penance, and to place the burning lamp before the tutelary deity. — If thou shalt address an entreaty, the serpent of Dharma-pāla will throw the lamp away, and at the place (where it falls) the temple must be built. This was done, but there suddenly appeared a raven, that threw the lamp into a lake. (The youth) was distressed, but in the night the king of the Nāgas with 5 serpent-heads came to him and said: — I am thy father, and I will cause this lake to dry up. Thou shalt build thy temple in the place of it. (In order to bring this about) thou must perform sacrifices for 7 weeks. This was accordingly done. On the 21st day the lake was dried up and (in its place) the monastery of Odantapuri was built.

This king had 4 sons, — a king, a Paṇḍit, a magician, and (another) king who was of sinful conduct. The latter feared that he would be deprived of riches, but his father put him in possession of a precious jewel. This (4th son) had himself a son called Devapāla who was possessed of the power of solemn entreaty¹⁰⁸²) and was full of faith in the *Prajñā-pāramitā*. This (son) stole the jewel of his father and gave it to a monk who was explaining the *Pāramitā*. The father, having come to know about this, said: — Jewels are necessary for kings, but monks are known to be of scant desires and modest. Thou (O monk) art not like that! — [124 b.] He then ordered the monk to be strangled and took away the jewel. The monk, in his turn, had made the entreaty to become immediately, after his death, reborn as the son of his pupil, the prince (Devapāla). This accordingly took place, and he became the king Mahipāla¹⁰⁸³), one who was full of faith in the *Prajñā-pāramitā* and searched for the means of expounding it (in the different countries). At that time the teacher Haribhadra who belonged to the Kṣatriya caste took orders, became versed in all the heterodox and orthodox philosophical systems and especially studied during a long period of time the subjects of the *Prajñā-pāramitā*. Having learned from his preceptor Vairocana-bhadra the means of propitiating Maitreya, he made this propitiation and beheld in a dream a monk of the colour of saffron and of sublime appearance who said to him: — Go thou to east, to Khasarpaṇa. — Having awakened, Haribhadra went there and remained for 3 days fasting and reflecting over his

¹⁰⁸²) smon-lam-gyi-stobs = prañidhāna-bala.

¹⁰⁸³) Sa-skyoñ.

dream. At day-break he dreamt again and beheld above the fragrant temple¹⁰⁸⁴) of the Odantapuri-vihāra, in the skies, amidst dense masses of clouds, the upper part of the body of a god who, issuing from the clouds, was worshipping with various articles of worship. — What art thou doing? — asked Haribhadra. — I am worshipping Maitreya in order that he should expound the *Aṣṭasāhasrikā*, — was the answer. Then (Haribhadra) looked during a long time and beheld the countenance of Maitreya who was of the colour of gold, the crown of whose head was adorned with a Caitya and whose right hand was making the gesture¹⁰⁸⁵) peculiar to (the Buddha) who expounds the Doctrine. Having saluted and worshipped him, (Haribhadra) addressed to him the following question: — At present, there are many Commentaries elucidating thy treatise¹⁰⁸⁶). Which of these am I to follow? — Thou must perfectly apprehend the texts of all (the different authors), select all that is correct and compose thyself a separate treatise (of thy own). — Such was the instruction Haribhadra received. Having awakened [125 a.] and worshipped, Haribhadra set forth from the east to the west in order to find an almsgiver (to aid him) in the composition of his works. The king Mahipāla, having heard that the teacher Haribhadra was greatly learned, sent a messenger to invite him. Haribhadra accepted the invitation and composed, in accordance with the Commentary of the Saint (Vimuktasena), the summary of the *Pañcaviṃṣati-sāhasrikā* in 8 chapters¹⁰⁸⁷), the Great Commentary on the *Aṣṭasāhasrikā*¹⁰⁸⁸), the Commentary called *Sphuṭārthā*¹⁰⁸⁹) the Commentary on the *Samcaya*¹⁰⁹⁰) called *Su-bodhini*¹⁰⁹¹), the *Prajñā-pāramitā-bhāvanā*, etc. So runs the tradition. In the Great Commentary on the *Aṣṭasāhasrikā*¹⁰⁹²) it is said that this work was composed at the monastery of Trikaṭuka¹⁰⁹³) under the patronship of Ćrīmad Dharmapāla. The teacher Prajñā-karamati says: — The master Haribhadra, pursuing the weal of

¹⁰⁸⁴) *gandhola* i. e. *gandhālaya*.

¹⁰⁸⁵) *phyag-rgya* = *mudrā*.

¹⁰⁸⁶) I. e. the *Abhisamayālaṃkāra*.

¹⁰⁸⁷) Le-brgyad-ma, Tg. MDO. III, IV, and V.

¹⁰⁸⁸) The *Abhisamayālaṃkāra*lōkā. Tg. MDO. VI.

¹⁰⁸⁹) Don-gsal-ḡgrel-pa, Tg. MDO. VII.

¹⁰⁹⁰) Tg. MDO. VII. ¹⁰⁹¹) *Rtogs-par-sla-ba*.

¹⁰⁹²) MS. Minaev, 409b. 1—6. — *tasmin sarvaguhāṅkare Trikaṭuka-ṣrīmad-vihāre cubhe / dānālabdha-mahodayasya karaṇād devasya dharmātmanah ... Ṣrī-Dharmapālasya vai //*

¹⁰⁹³) Tsha-ba-gsum. Cf. Schiefner, *Tārānātha*, p. 219.

the living beings, saw that, in the elucidation of the *Prajñā-pāramitā*, there were many different opinions expressed in the different works, and that the Commentaries in their explanations were contradicting each other. He accordingly became deeply grieved by this. But, whilst he was abiding in solitude, the most merciful Lord Maitreya, in order to appease his grief, exposed to him the *Prajñā-pāramitā* in connection with the teaching of the process of Illumination.¹⁰⁹⁴) Such is the tradition I have heard. — The teacher Dharmamitra says that (Haribhadra), having caused pleasure to his teacher for 17 years, was favoured by Maitreya in a dream (who expounded the Doctrine to him). However, the teacher (Haribhadra) himself says that he borrowed (the material for his works) from the 4 great Commentaries and, especially, has based upon the treatises of the 2 Saints (i. e. Asanga and Vimuktasena). [125 b.] It is said in the Great Commentary^{1094a}): — Here the explanations of the Saint Asanga etc. have been written down. Therefore it (the Commentary) is to be regarded as authoritative. And: — As I have perceived the meaning, owing to the aid of the Saint Vimuktasena. —

[The Teacher Buddhajñānapāda.]

The pupil (of Haribhadra) was known by the name of Buddhajñānapāda¹⁰⁹⁵) and received the consecration from Mañjuṣrī. Once he concealed himself from his teacher in a crowd and lost his eyes (as a punishment), but having begged to forgive him he was given eyes that could see by day and by night. This teacher, at the request of his pupil Guṇamitra, composed the Commentary on the *Samcaya*¹⁰⁹⁶). He has written moreover 14 works on the Scripture of the *Guhyasamāja*, — the *Mukhāgama*¹⁰⁹⁷), the *Samantabhadra-sādhana*¹⁰⁹⁸), the *Samantabhadra*¹⁰⁹⁹), the *Ātmasādhana-avatāra*¹¹⁰⁰), the *Viṣṇu-cakra*¹¹⁰¹), the *Ratnajvālā*¹¹⁰²), the *Mahā-*

¹⁰⁹⁴) *mñon-rtogs* = *abhisamaya*.

^{1094a}) MS. 57 a. 14—16. — *Āryāsanga-prabhṛtīnām eva idaṁ vyākhyānaṁ likhyata iti pramāṇī-kartavyam*.

¹⁰⁹⁵) *Saṅs-rgyas-ye-ṣes-ḡabs*. ¹⁰⁹⁶) Tg. MDO. VIII.

¹⁰⁹⁷) *ḡal-gyi-luṅ*. Tg. RGYUD. XXXIX. 20—23. In the Xyl. this work is called *Hjam-dpal-ḡal-gyi-luṅ* = *Mañjuṣrī-mukha-āgama*.

¹⁰⁹⁸) *Sgrub-thabs Kun-tu-bzaṅ-po*. Ibid. 33—42.

¹⁰⁹⁹) *Kun-tu-bzaṅ-mo*. Full title: *Yan-lag-bḡi-paḡi sgrub-thabs Kun-tu-bzaṅ-mo* = *Caturanga-sādhana-upāyikā Samantabhadra*. Tg. RGYUD. XXXIX 42—51. ¹¹⁰⁰) *Bdag-sgrub-pa-la-ḡjug-pa*. Ibid. 63—75. The Xyl. has: *Bdag-sgrub-par-ḡbyuṅ-ba*. ¹¹⁰¹) *Sna-tshogs-ḡkhor-lo*. ¹¹⁰²) *Rin-chen-ḡbar-ba*.

*mūla-jñāna*¹¹⁰³), the *Gāthā-koṣa*¹¹⁰⁴), the *Mukti-tilaka*¹¹⁰⁵), the *Bodhi-citta-tilaka*¹¹⁰⁶), the *Mangala-vyākhyā*¹¹⁰⁷), the *Caturtha-avatāra*¹¹⁰⁸), works on offerings, burning sacrifices, worship, magic circles, the Propitiation of the Lord of the Waters¹¹⁰⁹) etc., as runs the tradition. —

The pupil of Vasubandhu who excelled him in the knowledge of the Vinaya was —

4. The Teacher Guṇaprabha.

It is said in the Commentary (?): — The venerable teacher Guṇaprabha of Brāhmaṇic descent was a great authority in the Vinaya of the Ārya-mūla-sarvāstivādins. He has crossed the ocean of the orthodox and heterodox philosophical systems, has got his faculty of high wisdom increased by the nectar of the Discipline of Buddha's Doctrine, and has zealously and essentially realized the sublime precepts of the Lord. — [126 a.]

This teacher, endowed with such merits, has composed the *Vinaya-sūtra*¹¹¹⁰), the *Ekottara-karma-ṣataka*¹¹¹¹), the Commentary on the Chapter on Morality of the *Bodhisattva-bhūmi*¹¹¹²), and the autocommentary on the *Vinaya-sūtra*¹¹¹³). Some consider the *Ekottara-karma-ṣataka* to be the work of Vinīṭadeva.

Now, according to some authorities, the teacher (Guṇaprabha) was the pupil of Upagupta, and according to others, the pupil of Sudarçana. — This is an anachronism and is therefore to be rejected as a mistake.

The adherents of the old Vinaya say that Sudarçana delivered the teaching (of the Vinaya) to Anāgāmin, and the latter — to Anivartitabuddhi (?)¹¹¹⁴) who in his turn exposed it to Guṇaprabha.

¹¹⁰³) Rtsa-baḥi-ye-ṣes-chen-po.

¹¹⁰⁴) Tshigs-su-bṣad-paḥi-mdzod.

¹¹⁰⁵) Grol-baḥi-thig-le. Tg. RGYUD. XXXIX. 56—63.

¹¹⁰⁶) Byaṅ-chub-sems-kyi-thig-le.

¹¹⁰⁷) Bkra-ṣis-rnam-bṣad. ¹¹⁰⁸) Bḥi-pa-la-ḥjug-pa.

¹¹⁰⁹) Rje-btsun-ḥphags-pa Gnod-ḥdzin chu-dbaṅ-gi sgrub-paḥi-thabs = Bhāṭṭāraka-ārya-Jambhala-jalendra-sādhana, Tg. RGYUD. XXXIX. 75—77.

¹¹¹⁰) Ḥdul-baḥi-mdo. Tg. MDO. LXXXVII. 1—109.

¹¹¹¹) Las-brgya-rtsa-gcig. Ibid. 109—298.

¹¹¹²) Byaṅ-saḥi tshul-khrims-leḥuḥi ḥgrel-pa = Bodhisattva-bhūmi-ṣāla-parivarta-bhāṣya. Tg. MDO. LIV. 229—240.

¹¹¹³) Tg. MDO. LXXXIII. and LXXXIV.

¹¹¹⁴) Blos-mi-hbebs.

This however needs an investigation. It is said that Guṇaprabha attained the age of 400 years. This statement, as well as that according to which his pupil was Čākyaprabha — is false. Indeed we read in the *Prabhāvatī*¹¹¹⁵): My preceptor was Puṇyakīrti¹¹¹⁶) who resided in Magadha, was the ornament (of that country) and greatly famed. From him I have heard (the Teaching) and now expound this my Commentary on the rules of the Vinaya that is to be the foundation of the teaching of the Arhats. — And further on:¹¹¹⁷) — I have composed a Commentary elucidating the meaning, thinking: — May my teacher, the master Čāntiprabha¹¹¹⁸) who abides far away and whose fame is all-pervading, grant me his point of view which I try to secure by recollection. — Thus (Čākyaprabha) himself says that he is the pupil of Puṇyakīrti and Čāntiprabha. In the *Triṣata-kārikā*¹¹¹⁹) it is said that (Čākyaprabha's) pupil was Čākyamitra.

Čākyaprabha has composed the *Triṣata-kārikā* and the Commentary thereon called *Prabhāvatī*. On the *Vinaya-sūtra* a Commentary has been composed by Dharmamitra¹¹²⁰) who is considered by some to have been the pupil of Guṇaprabha. [126 b.] It is said moreover that the pupil of Čākyaprabha was Simhamukha, and the pupil of the latter — Jinamitra, but this must be scrutinized.

The Biography of the Bodhisattva Čāntideva.

Seven wonderful stories are known (about this teacher): —

The way how he secured his tutelary deity (1),

The splendour of his acts in Nālanda (2),

The refutation of his opponents (3),

The stories of the Pāṣaṇḍakas (4), of the beggars (5),

Of the king (6), and of the victory over the heretical teacher (7).

[The Story how Čāntideva met with his Tutelary Deity.]

In the southern country of Saurāṣṭra¹¹²¹), the king Kalyāṇavarman¹¹²²) had a son born to him who was called Čāntivarman¹¹²³). The latter, whilst still a youth, studied many different sciences.

¹¹¹⁵) Tg. MDO. LXXXIX. 183 b. 3—4. (N.)

¹¹¹⁶) Bsod-nams-grags-pa. ¹¹¹⁷) Ibid. 183 b. 6—7.

¹¹¹⁸) Ži-ba-ḥod. ¹¹¹⁹) Tg. MDO. LXXXIX. 83 a. 4.

¹¹²⁰) Vinayasūtra-ṭikā, Tg. MDO. LXXXV and LXXXVI.

¹¹²¹) Yul-ḥkhor-bzaṅ-po. ¹¹²²) Dge-baḥi-go-cha.

¹¹²³) Ži-baḥi-go-cha.

In particular, he learned from a certain exorcist¹¹²⁴) the methods of propitiating Mañjuçrī¹¹²⁵), made this propitiation and came to behold the countenance (of the deity).

Now, it happened that his father died and he was to be crowned king the next morning. But in the evening (before this was to happen), he beheld in a dream Mañjuçrī who was sitting on the throne which he was to occupy the morrow himself and who said to him: — My son, this seat belongs to me. I am thy protector. That I and thou shouldst sit on one seat can by no means be suitable¹¹²⁶). — Having awakened, Ćāntideva understood that it was impossible for him to reign. So he fled and took orders in Nālanda with Jayadeva¹¹²⁷), the foremost of 500 Paṇḍits. Henceforth he was known by the name of Ćāntideva.

[The Activity of Ćāntideva in Nālanda.]

As concerns his internal conduct, — (it is known that) he heard the Doctrine from the Saint (Mañjuçrī), meditated over it and composed treatises of profound meaning. But, in his external life, he was known to the others as doing nothing else but eating, sleeping and walking about. Owing to this fact he was designated by the 3 nicknames of “Bhu” “Su” “Ku”¹¹²⁸), and the other monks, looking at his outward behaviour, thought: — The business of monks is the study of the 3 Wheels of the Doctrine [127 a]. This one is not possessed of the knowledge of either of them. He is thus unworthy to enjoy the alms granted by the faithful and must therefore be cast out. We shall read the Sūtras by turn, and then he will go away himself (as he knows nothing). Accordingly they summoned him to recite the Sūtras, but he replied that he was unable to do so, and prayed his preceptor: — Thou must bid me (to recite). The teacher commanded him (to read), and after that he consented. And, as some were of the opinion, that he knew nothing and all doubted of his knowledge, the monks, in order to try him, erected a lofty seat amidst a crowd of people. It was not clear how he could ascend this seat. But he pressed it down with his hands and mounted it. At this the greater part (of the hearers) were amazed. Thereafter he asked: — What am I to

¹¹²⁴) Ku-su-lu. Cf. Sarat-Chandra-Das, dictionary, p. 19, 20.

¹¹²⁵) Hjam-dpal-rnon-poḥi sgrub-thabs = Tikṣṇa-Mañjuçrī-sādhana.

¹¹²⁶) Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 163.

¹¹²⁷) Rgyal-baḥi-lha. ¹¹²⁸) *bhuj*, *sup* (i. e. *svap*) and?

read, — that which has or that which has not been known before? And they prayed him to read that which was new and unknown. Now, as the *Ćikṣāsamuccaya* was too large a work and the *Sūtra-samuccaya* too abridged, he recited the *Bodhicaryāvatāra*¹¹²⁹) which in few words communicated an extensive subject-matter. And, after he had recited the verse of the Chapter on Highest Wisdom¹¹³⁰): —

When neither Ens nor Non-ens (appear before the mind), etc. he rose up into the air, higher and higher. Finally, his body became invisible, but the voice continued to resound. And, after the recitation was completed, he appeared again¹¹³¹).

Thereafter, those who were possessed of a good memory, rehearsed the work as they had heard it. But, as (after the rehearsal) there appeared (different versions), viz. of 700, of 1000, and of more than 1000 verses, there arose doubt (as to which was the correct one). (Ćāntideva) had said: — The Compendium of Discipline (the *Ćikṣā-samuccaya*) must be looked over again and again. — And: — the short Summary, the Compendium of the Sūtras (*Sūtra-samuccaya*) must be looked over now. As these works were unknown, and as one had heard that he was residing in south, near the sanctuary of Ćridakṣiṇa¹¹³²), 2 monks were sent to invite him. [127 b.] Having met with him, they asked (about the works). He told them that the *Ćikṣā-samuccaya* and the *Sūtra-samuccaya* were to be found in the store-room of his school-house, written in the small characters of the Paṇḍits. As to the *Bodhicaryāvatāra*, he said that the version of 1000 verses was the right one. Thereafter he gave his instructions how to explain these works and act according to them. —

[Ćāntideva's Victory over the Heretics.]

After that he departed to the east, where he took part in a great dispute. By the force of his miraculous powers, he reconciled (those who were quarrelling) and gave pleasure to all.

¹¹²⁹) Or: Bodhisattvacaryāvatāra (Byañ-chub-sems-dpaḥi spyod-pa-la hjug-pa).

¹¹³⁰) Ćer-le, i. e. Ćes-rab-kyi-leḥu = Prajñā-pariccheda or Prajñā-pāramitā-pariccheda. *Bodhicaryāvatāra* IX. 35. — *yadā na bhāvo nā' bhāvo mateḥ saṁti-ṣṭhate puraḥ / tadā' nya-gaty-abhāvena nirālambā praçamyati //*

¹¹³¹) Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 165.

¹¹³²) Dpal-gyi-yon-can. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 166.

[The Conversion of the Pāṣaṇḍakas.]

Then, in a district lying not far to the west of Magadha, he took up his abode in the place where 500 adherents of the Pāṣaṇḍaka teaching were residing. Once, as a great disaster occurred in that country, and all food and beverage became exhausted, (the Pāṣaṇḍakas), greatly suffering, were searching one who could obtain for them means of livelihood. Finally, they selected (Çāntideva) as their chief and put themselves under his commands. The teacher got a bowl full of rice, blessed it, and made it suffice for all. After that he caused them to abstain from the Pāṣaṇḍaka teaching and to adopt Buddhism¹¹³³). —

[The Feeding of the Beggars.]

Thereupon a great famine happened in that country. Thousands of beggars, tormented by hunger and thirst, were near to their end. The teacher obtained means of livelihood, expounded the Doctrine and gave delight to all¹¹³⁴). —

[Çāntideva's Help to the King.]

Thereafter it happened that in the east, the king of Ariviṇa was troubled by a riot. Some who were dissatisfied with the means of livelihood (they obtained) surrounded the king, intending to do him harm. As in such a manner the king would have been killed, there was a necessity of granting gifts (to those who were dissatisfied). (Çāntideva) came to the king's rescue and protected him. Now, the teacher had nothing but a wooden sword stamped with the seal of Mañjuṣrī. The courtiers saw this and said to the king: — This man is a cheat; look at the instrument in his hand! [128 a.] The king, enraged, said (to Çāntideva): — Draw out thy sword! O Lord, — entreated the teacher, — this may bring harm to thyself. — May I be harmed, — replied the king, — nevertheless draw it out in any case! — Then, O Lord, thou must shut one eye and look with the other, — prayed Çāntideva. The king did so, but when the sword was drawn out, the one eye that saw could not sustain the shining (of the sword) and was blinded. The king then begged for forgiveness, entrusted himself to the protection of Çāntideva and was converted to Buddhism¹¹³⁵). —

¹¹³³) Ibid. p. 167.¹¹³⁴) Ibid.¹¹³⁵) Ibid. p. 164.

[Çāntideva's Victory over Çankaradeva.]

Thereafter the teacher went to the south, to Çrīparvata where he lived as one who had devoted himself to the propitiation of Ucchūṣman¹¹³⁶), with the attributes of a beggar, naked and substituting on wash-water. Whilst he was thus abiding, Kacalahā, the female slave of the king of Khatavihāra, saw that the wash-water she had poured out reached the body of the teacher and began to boil. At that time a heretical teacher called Çankaradeva made it known to the king: — The day after to-morrow I shall draw in the skies the magic circle of Maheçvara. If you are unable to destroy it, I shall burn down all the Buddhist images and books, and make you adopt the Brāhmaṇic Doctrines. The king assembled the clergy and related the matter to them. And, as none of them could express his readiness to destroy the magic circle, the king became deeply grieved. But then the slave-girl related what she had seen before, and the king gave the order to seek (for Çāntideva). After they had searched for him everywhere, they found him sitting under a tree and told him the matter. He said: — I have the power (of destroying the magic circle). You must prepare for me an urn full of water, a pair of garments, and fire. This was done. Then, as in the evening the teacher went off murmuring, they all became possessed of doubt. Two days after, the magic circle was drawn. When the eastern quarter was just finished, the teacher, [128 b.] by the force of concentrated trance, called forth a mighty wind by which the magic circle was blown away, the herbs, trees and cities likewise were all of them either swept down or shaken so that they nearly fell. The people who lived (in those towns) were swept away. The heretical teachers were scattered and, like small birds by the wind, were carried away into the different regions. (Everything) was covered with great darkness. But then the teacher ejected a light from his forehead by which he showed the way to the king and queen. As they were without clothes and covered with dust, he gave them the water (that had been prepared before) to wash, covered them with the new clothes, and warmed them by the fires, thus causing delight to them. Thereafter the temples of the heretics were destroyed, and (the people) were converted to Buddhism. And up to this day that place is known as "the spot where the heretics were vanquished"¹¹³⁷). —

¹¹³⁶) Xyl. U-tshu-smaḥi spyod-pa. Cf. Ibid. p. 166.¹¹³⁷) Ibid. p. 167.

Now, this master himself speaks of his own person as of an ordinary being, but the teacher Prajñākaramati calls him a Saint. Kṛṣṇa¹¹³⁸) says of him that he touched with his head the lotus-like feet of Mañjuḥṣa. The teacher thus spoken of has composed 3 works: The *Çikṣāsamuccaya*, an exposition in detail, the *Sūtrasamuccaya*, an abridged Compendium of the Teaching, and the *Bodhicaryāvatāra* which exposes an extensive subject-matter in few words. According to the tradition, 100 Commentaries on the Bodhicaryāvatāra were extant in India, but only 8 have been translated into Tibetan. —

The History of the Grammatical Literature.

In the *Lankāvatāra-sūtra*¹¹³⁹) we have the prophecy: — The author of (the treatises on) Grammar will be Pāṇini. — And in the *Mañjuṣrī-mūla-tantra* it is prophesied that (this Pāṇini) is to attain Enlightenment¹¹⁴⁰). Now the history of the grammatical treatises composed by the Brāhmaṇa Pāṇini and others is as follows: — At first, in the region of the 33 gods, a god named Sarvajñāna composed a great grammatical treatise. [129 a.] This was used by the gods, (subsequently) ceased to exist, and did not, therefore, appear in Jambudvīpa. Thereafter Çakra, the king of the gods, likewise composed a grammatical work called *Indravyākaraṇa*. This work was perfectly apprehended by the sage Bṛhaspati who demonstrated it to the children of the gods and became known as the preceptor of the gods or the teacher of grammar. And thinking: — None except myself is skilful in grammar, — he became possessed of great pride. But the king of gods got an urn full of water from the ocean, took a drop of it by means of a halm of Kuṣa grass and said to Bṛhaspati: — The science of grammar as a whole is like the ocean. That part of it which I know is like the water of this urn, and that which thou knowest is only like this drop. Bṛhaspati was greatly disappointed, and thought that he would never be able to teach grammar again. But Indra said to him: — Though this be so, still thou must teach as far as thou knowest. — Such was his commandment, and (Bṛhaspati), not daring to disobey it, declared that he would not teach on the 4 auspicious days, but

¹¹³⁸) Nag-po-pa.

¹¹³⁹) Ed. Bunyiu Nanjio, p. 366. — *Pāṇinim çabda-netāram* . . .

¹¹⁴⁰) Kṛ. RGYUD. XI. 447 a. 7—b. 1. (Nar.) — *bram-zheḥi khyeḥu Pā-ṇi-ni / nes-par ñan-thos-byañ-chub-tu / ña-yis luñ-bstan-byas-pa-yin //*

that all the other time he would expound. Accordingly, up to this day, the Brāhmaṇas observe the 4 auspicious days, saying: —

On the 8th day the teacher will be oppressed,

On the 14th — the pupils will be oppressed,

On the day of the new-moon the science will be oppressed,

On the first day everything will be oppressed. —

This treatise (the *Indravyākaraṇa*) came likewise to Jambudvīpa and was expounded there.

Thereupon, when it had ceased to exist, the Brāhmaṇa Pāṇini appeared. At first, being desirous to study grammar, he showed the lines of his hand to a fortune-teller who told him that he would not be possessed of the knowledge of grammar. Then he drew (the corresponding) line with a sharp knife, and set out in search of a teacher, but did not find any. Thereafter he propitiated Mahādeva who showed his countenance to him and asked: — What doest thou desire? — I wish to study grammar, — replied (Pāṇini). Then the god blessed him (129 b.) and simultaneously uttered the sounds “A”, “I”, “U”. By this Pāṇini came to apprehend the whole of the grammatical science. So runs the legend. The Buddhists say, that (Pāṇini) came to the knowledge of Grammar through having propitiated Avalokita, and this agrees with Scripture. It is said in the *Mañjuṣrī-mūla-tantra*¹¹⁴¹):

Pāṇini, the Brāhmaṇa's son,

Has been prophesied by me

To attain the Enlightenment of the Çrāvakas;

And he shall likewise secure the charm

For propitiating the High Lord of the Universe. —

This teacher (Pāṇini) has composed a grammatical treatise containing 2000 rules which is known as the *Pāṇiniya-vyākaraṇa*. On this treatise a king of the Nāgas¹¹⁴²) composed a Commentary called the *Mahābhāṣya* consisting of 100 000 Çloka which became widely spread.

In later times, the king Udayana¹¹⁴³) had a wife who knew some parts of grammar. Once, when she and the king were washing, the king sprinkled water (upon her). The queen said: — “*Mamoda-kāsiṇca*”¹¹⁴⁴) which in the Sanskrit language means: Do not sprinkle

¹¹⁴¹) Cf. the preceding note and Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 53 and 54.

¹¹⁴²) Çeṣa = Patañjali.

¹¹⁴³) Bde-spyod.

¹¹⁴⁴) Similarly in Tārānātha, Schiefner, p. 74.

water upon me. — The king, having applied the words to his barbaric language, understood them as: — Get me a broth of sesamum, — and ordered a slave to prepare such. The queen was distressed and, thinking it better to die than to be the companion of such an ox-like husband, intended to commit suicide. The king then asked her what was the matter, and she related the story (of Pāṇini) which we have given above. Thereafter Sarvavarman¹¹⁴⁵) the maternal uncle of the king said to him: — I shall propitiate Kumāra Kārttikeya¹¹⁴⁶) and obtain the magical power of the word; therefore thou must say to the queen: — Thou must not do so (i. e. must not commit suicide). — The king did so and the queen was consoled.

Sarvavarman made his propitiation, and Kumāra Kārttikeya showed his countenance to him and asked what he wanted. — I wish to study Grammar, — replied Sarvavarman. Then Kārttikeya began with "*Siddho varṇa-sama-āmnāyah*"¹¹⁴⁷) [130 a.] and explained up to the 15th Chapter. Then (Sarvavarman) became full of pride and exclaimed: — I have found it out! Kārttikeya then turned his vehicle and, as the tail of the peacock (on which he was mounted) appeared behind, Sarvavarman exclaimed: — O Kalāpa! I pray, forgive me! Now, *Kalāpa* means a mass, any aggregate of component parts. Sarvavarman applied it to the peacock's feathers. In connection with this (Sarvavarman's work) became known under the name of *Kalāpa*. Thereafter (Sarvavarman) taught it to the king, the latter came to understand it, and the queen was pleased. —

Now, as the work did not contain all the parts of grammar, Sarvavarman and the Brāhmaṇa Vararuci¹¹⁴⁸) made additions to it, and it was issued as consisting of 400 Ḍokas and 24 chapters. The Paṇḍit Durgasinha¹¹⁴⁹) has composed a Commentary to it¹¹⁵⁰). (Another) Commentary called the *Ḍiṣyāhitā*¹¹⁵¹) was written by the Paṇḍit Yaçobhūti¹¹⁵²). Then there appeared the *Candra-vyā-*

¹¹⁴⁵) Sic. acc. to Xyl. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha p. 76. Perhaps: Çarvavarman. In Cordier's Index to the Tangyur we have s. v. Kalāpa-sūtra the designation of its author as: — Saptavarman, Sarvavarman, Çarvavarman, Içvaravarman or Dbañ-phyug-go-cha. Cf. vol. I. p. 47, note 456.

¹¹⁴⁶) Gzon-nu Smin-drug.

¹¹⁴⁷) Xyl. Siddho varṇa-samaṇ naye. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 75.

¹¹⁴⁸) Mchog-sred. ¹¹⁴⁹) Bgrod-dkañ-señ-ge.

¹¹⁵⁰) Tg. MDO. CXVI. 110—125. (Pek.) ¹¹⁵¹) Slob-ma-la-phan-pa.

¹¹⁵²) Grags-hbyor. Tg. MDO. CXVI. 125—163 or CXXXII. 1—295 (Pek.)

karāṇa on which the maternal uncle of Candragomin, Dharma-dāsa¹¹⁵³) has composed a Commentary consisting of 6000 Ḍokas, and the teacher Ratnamati¹¹⁵⁴) a Sub-commentary of 12 000 Ḍokas. This Sub-commentary in its turn has been elucidated by the Paṇḍit Pūrṇacandra¹¹⁵⁵) in a work of 36 000 Ḍokas. Thereafter the Paṇḍit Rājaçri has made a Compendium of the *Kalāpa* and the *Candra-vyākaraṇa*; his work is known as the *Rājaçri-vyākaraṇa*. Finally in later times, the Paṇḍit Smṛti has composed a work on Grammar for the use of Tibetans, called the *Āyudhopamavacanamukha*¹¹⁵⁶). A detailed history of these grammatical treatises, as well as of the works on Poetics, Dramatical Composition, Medicine, etc. is to be found elsewhere. —

On the Lost Parts of the Kanon.

In such a way the persons who were foretold by the Buddha have preserved the Doctrine by preaching and acting according to it. But at present only a part (of the Kanon) exists, its complete form having been lost. In the *Vyākhyāyukti*¹¹⁵⁷) it is said:—[130 b.]

As the basis for the correct rehearsal is lost,

We know that (the Kanon) is not complete. —

Now, the *Duḥkha-skandha-sūtra*¹¹⁵⁸), the *Udayana-paripṛcchā*¹¹⁵⁹), the *Guru-sūtra*¹¹⁶⁰), the Sūtra of Ānanda¹¹⁶¹), the Sūtra of Kāçyapa¹¹⁶²) and many others had disappeared and were not to be found at the time when Vasubandhu lived. In the *Ratnakūṭa* which consisted of 100 000 chapters, there remain only 49, of the *Mahā-samaya*¹¹⁶³) which likewise contained 100 000 chapters — only 60, and of the *Avataṃsaka*, similarly of 100 000 chapters — only 40 chapters. Of the *Lankāvatāra* which consisted of 36 000 (Ḍokas) we have only 3600, of the *Ghana-vyūha*¹¹⁶⁴) of 12 000 verses only 1300, of the *Mahāmegha* which contained 100 000 verses, — only a few chapters, of the *Samādhirāja*, — only 15 divisions, of the

¹¹⁵³) Chos-kyi-hbañs.

¹¹⁵⁴) Rin-chen-blo-gros.

¹¹⁵⁵) Zla-ba-gaṇ-ba.

¹¹⁵⁶) Smra-sgo Mtshon-cha. Tg. MDO. CXVI. 273—278. (Pek.)

¹¹⁵⁷) Aga monastery edition 97 b. 6.

¹¹⁵⁸) Sdug-bsñal-gyi-phuñ-poñi-mdo.

¹¹⁵⁹) Hchar-byed-kyis-žus-pa.

¹¹⁶⁰) Bla-maḥi-mdo.

¹¹⁶¹) Kun-dgañ-boñi-mdo.

¹¹⁶²) Hod-sruñs-kyi-mdo.

¹¹⁶³) Hdus-pa-chen-po.

¹¹⁶⁴) Rgyan-stug-po-bkod-pa.

*Ekottarika-āgama*¹¹⁶⁵) in which there were from 1 to 100 subjects, — only from 1 to 10. As concerns the *Nirvāṇa* — and the *Smṛtyupasthāna-sūtra*¹¹⁶⁶), their translation has not been finished. Of the *Āgama-sūtra*¹¹⁶⁷) that had 10 000 Ālokas, only 1 chapter (has been translated). In the *Mahā-tathāgata-uṣṇiṣa*¹¹⁶⁸), the *Mahā-adhigama*¹¹⁶⁹), and the *Candragarbha-paripṛcchā*¹¹⁷⁰) there was a great number of chapters. Of each of these chapters many passages have not been translated at all. Of the translations made previously, the greater part has likewise disappeared. Moreover, many Sūtras quoted in the great Chinese Commentaries are not to be found. Other Sūtras, as the *Mahā-vyavahāra-bhūmi*¹¹⁷¹) have their abode in the realm of the gods. The detailed *Prajñā-pāramitā-sūtra* containing 1 000 000 000 Ālokas is preserved in the abode of the king of the Gandharvas, [131 a.] the intermediate (of the detailed), of 10 000 000 Ālokas, in the realm of the king of the gods, and the abridged (of the detailed), that is the *Āśasāhasrikā*, exists in it complete form in the region of the Nāgas.

As concerns the Tantric Scripture, it is said in the *Jñāna-vajrasamuccaya*¹¹⁷²) that the *Kriyā-tantra*¹¹⁷³) numbered 4000 texts, the *Ācāra-tantra*¹¹⁷⁴) 8000, the *Kalpa-tantra*¹¹⁷⁵) 4000, the Tantras containing (the teaching of) both (the *Kriyā* and *Ācāra*) — 6000, the *Mahā-yoga-tantra*¹¹⁷⁶) — 12 000, and the *Mahā-anuttara-yoga-tantra*¹¹⁷⁷) — 14 000. Each Tantra consists of a great number of Fundamental and Explanatory Tantras, etc. Of these the *Hevajra*¹¹⁷⁸) of 100 000 verses, the *Guhya-samāja* of 25 000 verses, *Mahā-Çamvara-abhidhāna*¹¹⁷⁹) of 500 000 verses, the [*Çamvara*]-*Uttaratantra*¹¹⁸⁰) of 100 000 verses, the *Kālacakra* of 12 000 verses, the *Yoga-anuvidyā*¹¹⁸¹) of 36 000 verses, the *Māyājālā*¹¹⁸²) of 16 000 verses, the *Mahāmāyā* of 18 000 verses, the great *Raktayamāri-*

¹¹⁶⁵) Gcig-las-hphros-pa. ¹¹⁶⁶) Dran-pa-ñer-gzag.

¹¹⁶⁷) Dpañ-bar-hgro-baḥi-mdo.

¹¹⁶⁸) De-bžin-gcegs-paḥi-gtsug-ktor-chen-po.

¹¹⁶⁹) Rtogs-pa-chen-po. ¹¹⁷⁰) Zla-ba-sñiñ-pos-žus-pa.

¹¹⁷¹) Rnam-par-sbyon-baḥi-sa-chen-po. ¹¹⁷²) Ye-ces-rdo-rje-kun-las-btus.

¹¹⁷³) Bya-baḥi-rgyud. ¹¹⁷⁴) Spyod-paḥi-rgyud.

¹¹⁷⁵) Rtogs-paḥi-rgyud. ¹¹⁷⁶) Rnal-hbyor-chen-poḥi-rgyud.

¹¹⁷⁷) Rnal-hbyor-chen-po-bla-na-med-paḥi-rgyud.

¹¹⁷⁸) Hdar-byed-kyi-gliñ-na (?) Kye-rdo-rje.

¹¹⁷⁹) Bde-mchog-mñon-pa-brjod-par-chen-po.

¹¹⁸⁰) (Bde-mchog-gi) (?) rgyud-phyi-ma. ¹¹⁸¹) Rnal-hbyor-rjes-su-rig-pa.

¹¹⁸²) Sgyu-hphrul-dra-ba.

*tantra*¹¹⁸³) of 300 000 verses, the *Tārā-abhyudaya-tantra*¹¹⁸⁴) of 700 Chapters, the *Hayagrīva-kalpa*¹¹⁸⁵) of 700 Chapters, the *Amogha-pāṣa-tantra*¹¹⁸⁶) etc. are said to exist in the region of the gods, in Çambhala, Uḍḍiyāna, etc.

Moreover, in India, Kashmir, Nepal, Kaṁsadeça¹¹⁸⁷), China, the Great China¹¹⁸⁸), Persia, Campaka, in the monkey-realm, in the country of the Golden-eyed, in Rugma, Ramya¹¹⁸⁹), Tāmra-dvīpa¹¹⁹⁰), Simhaladvīpa, [131 b.] Priyanguvīpa, Yamunādvīpa, Suvarṇadvīpa¹¹⁹¹), Makha, Khaçya, Gyiñjoñ, Shañ-shuñ, Bru-sha, A-sha, Sum-pa, Sahor, Mi-ñag, the country of Jañ, of the Yogurs, the Thogar, Uḍḍiyāna, Dramila¹¹⁹²), Andhra¹¹⁹³), Cola, Kalinga, and other great kingdoms as well as in the districts of Tibet, as the Teaching was expounded, disappeared, and again began its existence in them, the Scriptures of the 3 Vehicles, either complete or incomplete, in parts, have been preserved. It is said, likewise, that a great number of sacred texts exist in the region of the Nāgas. In the *Çiṣya-lekha* we read^{1193a}). —

The Teaching which is like a precious jewel,
Being sublime and indestructible,
And which shows the Path of Purity,
Has been contemplated with reverence by the hooded Nāgas,
Like the diamonds in their diadems, and disperses
The darkness for those who dwell in the depths of the earth.

IV. Acc₁ b₂ c₃ c₄. The Way how the Doctrine will cease to exist.

It is said in the *Candragarbha-paripṛcchā*¹¹⁹⁴): — O Lord, how will the Highest Doctrine finally cease to exist? Owing to what

¹¹⁸³) Gcñ-rjeḥi-gced-dmar-poḥi-rgyud.

¹¹⁸⁴) Sgrol-ma-mñon-par-hbyuñ-baḥi-rgyud.

¹¹⁸⁵) Rta-mgrin-gyi-rtog-pa. ¹¹⁸⁶) Don-yod-žags-paḥi-rgyud. ¹¹⁸⁷) Li.

¹¹⁸⁸) Bu-ton makes the difference between Rgya-nag = Cina and Rgya-nag-chen-po = Mahācina.

¹¹⁸⁹) Ram-ma. ¹¹⁹⁰) Zañs-gliñ. ¹¹⁹¹) Gser-gliñ.

¹¹⁹²) Hgro-ldiñ-baḥi-yul.

¹¹⁹³) Loñ-baḥi-yul. Bu-ton evidently read Andhadeça, "the country of the blind" instead of Andhradeça. ^{1193a}) Tg. MDO. XXXIII. 71 a. 4—5. (N.)

¹¹⁹⁴) Kg. MDO. XXXII. 216 b. 6—220 b. 4. The prophecy concerning the cessation of the Doctrine is treated in the Kangyur like a separate text: Hphags-pa Zla-baḥi-sñiñ-pos žus-paḥi mdo-las sañs-rgyas-kyi bstan-pa gnas-pa dan hjig-paḥi tshul luñ-bstan-pa.

factors is it to disappear, and who will be the cause of its destruction? — (The Buddha replied): — After I have passed away, during 500 years, a great number of living beings is to appear, who will act according to my Doctrine and obtain deliverance. Thereafter, during 500 years there will appear many who practise meditation. But the kings, the ministers, and the ordinary living beings^{1194a}) who were devoted to the Doctrine will subsequently become less in number. Thereupon, during another 500 years, a great number of teachers who expound the Highest Doctrine, and who lead the living beings to salvation will appear. The number of the Črāvaka Arhats will however become diminished. The kings [132 a.] and the greater part of the living beings will become mere hearers, but will not apply energy to realize (the precepts) and to live according to them. In such a way faith will become weakened. The protectors of the Highest Doctrine will grow distressed, and those who are not devoted to the Highest Doctrine will become more powerful than before. The kings of Jambudvīpa will invade each other with war and disturbances will arise^{1194b}). When 300 years of these 500 will have passed away, the gods and Nāgas^{1194c}) who live according to the Doctrine will no more exist, and the living beings will cease to believe in the Highest Doctrine. Even those who are virtuous will not act according to the precepts. And, as they will have no energy, their achievements will be likewise feeble. The 4 chief colours and those derived from these 4, as well as the smells, tastes, etc. will become weak. There will be likewise famine and plagues befalling men and cattle. When 200 years will have remained, the monks will no more act according to the Doctrine and search for worldly gain and renown. They will lack Commiseration, will not live morally, and will depreciate those who act righteously according to the Doctrine. They will appropriate riches and objects of enjoyment, rely upon the orders of temporal power, rule kingdoms, be the messengers of kings, and seek to please them. They will sow disunion between the kings

^{1194a}) Sic. acc. to the Kg. — *rgyal-po dañ blon-po dañ sems-can-phal-rnams kyañ* . . . The Xyl. has: *rgyal-po dañ sems-can phal-cher*.

^{1194b}) The Kg. has after this (fol. 217 a. 3): *bdud-kyi ris kyañ hphel-bar-hgyur-ro* — the family of the Evil One will likewise increase. This passage is left out in the Xyl.

^{1194c}) The Kg. has = *lha klu-la-sogs-pa sems-can-eruñs-ma-rnams*. — The gods and the Nāgas who protect the living beings.

and their subjects, and will seek means of livelihood by traffic and gain. Those acting according to the Highest Doctrine, will not do so by realizing it in harmony with their internal constitution, but will only act for outward show, and turn hypocrites. At that time all the gods and Nāgas, devoted to the Doctrine will abandon the lands where the monks live in such a way, and will not abide there anymore. The hosts of Māra and other foes of the Doctrine will appear there and become powerful. [132 b.] The kings, ministers, etc. will lose faith and will no more draw a distinction between virtue and sin. They will inflict wounds upon the Highest Doctrine, and will rob and carry away the property of the 3 Jewels and that of the Congregation. They will have no shame in committing sinful deeds and will destroy the images and sanctuaries, so that the objects of worship will grow scant. But then, by the force of the virtue the monks and householders acting according to the Doctrine who are to appear and will abide in some places, rain and snow will descend in different countries at due time, prosperous years will come, human and animal diseases will grow less, and (a time of) happiness for the lands will appear.

But this is not to have a long duration. For the greater part there will be manifold suffering and uneasiness. At that time, 3 kings, neither of Indian, nor of Chinese descent, Yavana, Palhika and Čakuna^{1194d}) will appear. These will not act according to the Highest Doctrine, will conduct wars, fight and quarrel and will lay waste many districts in the west and in the north. The sanctuaries and temples in these countries they will destroy, and burn down with fire, and rob the objects of worship, the property of the 3 Jewels etc. These 3 kings will be in mutual strife and the reign of each of them will not be happy. But then, at a certain time, they will become allies, unite in one kingdom, collect a great army, and take possession of Gāndhāra, Mahādeça, and other countries lying on this side of the Ganges.

At that time, on the other side of the Ganges, to the south, in the country of Kauçambi, there will be a king named Mahendrasena. This king will have a son called Duḥprasahahasta¹¹⁹⁵) with an iron mark on his forehead and with the lower part of his body,

^{1194d}) Sic. acc. to Kg. (fol. 217 b. 4) The Xyl. has: Balabū and Čikuna. We could perhaps translate: "The Grecian, the Persian and the Scythian kings".

¹¹⁹⁵) The Xyl. here and further on: Duprasaha. Kg.: Dusprasahasta.

up to the elbows stained with blood [133 a.]. At that time to 500 ministers 500 sons will be born who will be stained with blood up to their waists. At the same time the king will become possessed of a colt that will speak. And, the evening on which that (colt is to be born) a rain of blood is to descend from the skies. The king will ask the meaning of these omens from an anchorite possessed of the 5 forms of supernatural perception and the latter will utter the following prophecy: — O sovereign, thy son will moisten the soil of Jambudvīpa with blood, and thereafter he will make himself the Lord of Jambudvīpa. Thereupon, after 12 years will have passed away since the birth of the prince, the allied forces of the 3 kings mentioned before, Yavana and the rest, 300 000 in number with the kings at their head, will invade the realm of the king Mahendrasena. Thus war will break out, and the king will be distressed and lament. As he will thus abide in sorrow, his son Duḥprasahahasta will ask: Father, wherefore art thou grieved? — And the father will say: — I am grieved, because the armies of the 3 kings have appeared in our country. — To this the son will reply: — Father, do not be distressed, I shall vanquish these armies. — Well, — will say the father. Thereafter, the prince will put 500 Pāṣaṇḍakas, sons of ministers and others at the head of an army of 200 000 men. At the time of battle, the iron mark on the prince's forehead will appear distinctly, the whole of his body will become of iron, with terrible fury he will charge and conquer. After the victory, the army of Duḥprasahahasta will return and the father will say: — My son, thou hast fought with such an army of 3 kings and hast conquered. [133 b.] Well hast thou done. Henceforth thou art to rule the kingdom, and I in my turn will embrace religious life. — And, obeying to his orders, the son will assume the reign. Thereafter, during 12 years he will fight with the armies of the 3 kings and will gradually vanquish a great number of these forces. He will capture the 3 kings themselves and cause them to be put to death. Thereupon he will make himself emperor of Jambudvīpa. Then the king will say to his ministers: — The fact that I have become the Lord of Jambudvīpa should make me rejoice. But great is the sin (I have committed) by causing so many living beings to be killed. Therefore I am grieved. What am I to do in order to be purified from this sin? — The ministers will say: — In the country of Pāṭaliputra there is a teacher of the Doctrine versed in the 3 Codes; the son of the Brāhmaṇa Agnidatta

called Çiṣyaka¹¹⁹⁶) who abides in a monastery. If he is invited he will be able to purify thee from thy sin. The king will be delighted, and, having invited the monk Çiṣyaka, will ask him: — By what means can I become purified from my sins? — The monk will reply: — Thou must worship the 3 Jewels for 12 years and seek their protection. If thou doest this, thou canst be purified from thy guilt. — Then the king will send messengers to whatever monks will be living in Jambudvīpa in order to assemble them all at Kauçambi and will not allow them to practise their religious obeisances in other countries. But the monks on the way, will for the greater part perish from wild beasts, savages, floods etc., — and only 100 000 will come into the king's presence. These will come, and the king will make a feast, offer presents to them and worship. Thereafter [134 a.] the members of the Congregation will ask each other. — Where is thy teacher? Where are thy pupils? Where are thy friends, thy associates in the observances? And they will relate how such and such were killed by wild beasts and savages, were carried away by the flood, had died, being overcome by illness, and so on. Each of them will become full of grief, they will shed tears and beat their breasts. Then the king will bid them not to be grieved, but the members of the Congregation will not listen to him. The king will be distressed, will turn his face down and fall asleep. And whilst sleeping he will utter the following entreaty: — From the Congregation of monks who are mere worldly beings I will have no protection. O may I behold the countenance of an Arhat! And the gods of this world will say to him whilst he is dreaming: — On the mountain Gandhamadana¹¹⁹⁷) there abides an Arhat called Surata¹¹⁹⁸), the son of the merchant Sudhana^{1198a}). If he be invited he will purify thee from thy guilt and clear all thy doubts. — And the king, in accordance with the dream will, immediately after awakening, send messengers, invite the Saint, worship him and make his salutations. Then, on the 14th day of that month, the Congregation will assemble, and of those

¹¹⁹⁶) Slob-ma-can. Corrected acc. to Kg. (fol. 218 b. 3—4) — bram-ze Agnidattaputra . . . miñ ni Çiṣyaka ste Slob-ma-can. The Xyl. has: bram-ze Akan-dra-dhañi-bu. (Sic!)

¹¹⁹⁷) The Xyl. has Gandhamahāna.

¹¹⁹⁸) Des-pa.

^{1198a}) Corr. acc. to Kg. (fol. 219 a. 5) Su-dha-na-pu-tra ra-rna-ça (?) ste tshon-dpon Nor-bzañs-kyi bu žes-bya-ba rab-tu-byun-ba Su-ra-ta ste Des-pa . . .

who have newly taken orders some will pray the teacher *Çiṣyaka* to expound the Vinaya. But *Çiṣyaka* will say: — If a man has lost his eyes and has no ears and nose, of what use is a mirror to him? I can teach the Vinaya, but ye will not act according to it and will not preserve your morals. What use is it therefore of teaching the Vinaya to you? Then the Arhat *Surata*, with a voice resembling the roar of a lion, will say: — I have observed the precepts of the Doctrine of Buddha the Lord, and, up to this day, I have not lost the slightest part of it. [134 b.] Thou must not speak like that, but expound the Vinaya. — Thus will he speak, and the teacher *Çiṣyaka*, having recognized in him an Arhat, will be full of shame and sit without uttering a word. Then the pupil of *Çiṣyaka*, the monk called *Angada*¹¹⁹⁹) will rise up from his seat and say to the Arhat: — How canst thou, thyself immoral and ignorant of the Vinaya, show contempt with our teacher who is versed in the 3 Codes of Scripture? — And, coming into a rage, he will strike the Arhat and kill him. Thereafter the *Yakṣa Dadhimukha*¹²⁰⁰), devoted to the Highest Doctrine, will seize a thunderbolt, appear visibly and say to the monk *Angada*: — Wherefore hast thou killed the Arhat? — Then he will strike him with his thunderbolt and kill him. After that the monk *Kerāda* will kill *Çiṣyaka*, and then all the monks will kill each other, so that not one of them will be left. Thereafter the gods, *Nāgas* and the other guardians of the Doctrine who abide in the skies, will for the greater part become distressed. They will weep, and their tears will fall down on earth as a rain of blood and fire. The skies will turn yellow, black and red and there will be lightning and great thunder. From the body of the star called *Dhūmaketu* black smoke will come forth, owing to which the sun, the moon, etc. will lose their shine. At that time the gods of the region of the Thirty-three, the Mother *Mahāmāyā* and others will come. They will lament, collect all the coloured garments of the monks and carry them to the region of the 33 gods. Then the king will ask: — From where comes this great noise? — And they will say to him: — There arose a quarrel amongst the members of the clergy and they have killed each other. — The king, distressed, will rise up [135 a.] and at

¹¹⁹⁹) The Xyl. has *Dpuñ-rgyan*. Kg. (fol. 219 b. 3): *Çi-ṣya-kaḥi slob-ma dge-slon Am-ga-da ste Dpuñ-gi-tshogs-hjigs-su-ruñ*.

¹²⁰⁰) *Žo-gdon*.

daybreak will go to the outward temple to see. There he will behold some of the monks with their heads cut off, some with their arms and legs severed from the body, and others with their eyes cast out, having thus in different ways met with their death. Full of grief, he will search for the bodies of the Arhat and of *Çiṣyaka*, the teacher versed in the 3 Codes. He will take them under his right and his left arm-pit and say: — The Arhat was to me like a father^{1200a}). The teacher of the 3 Codes was the treasury of the Doctrine. Now, as they both have died, I shall henceforth have no pleasure in life. My kingdom — I will give it to anyone who wishes to have it. — Thus saying, he will shut his eyes and cease to look about. Then the ministers in order to appease the grief of the king, will give to 500 men the appearance of monks. They will not, however, shave their heads and beards with a razor, but will burn them with fire. They will dress them in the hide of black and red cattle^{1200b}), will come into the king's presence and say: — 500 monks have arrived. — The king, delighted, will open his eyes, and behold (the so-called monks) dressed in the hide of cattle and with their hair and beards singed. Then he will order to bring the sacrificial tools for worshipping the 3 Jewels and will perform the sacrificial rites. Thereafter he will question (the newcomers) concerning the Doctrine. But, as they will not know even a single word of it, the king will again become full of grief. And after that he will collect the corpses of the monks, cause them to be burned, and perform the funeral rites. —

At that time all the supports of the Highest Doctrine in *Jambudvīpa* will meet with an end. Thereafter gold will be transformed into bad silver and stone, silver will be changed, into bad brass and stone, brass — into copper, and pearls — into horn. Of the 6 tastes [135 b.] only 2, viz. the bitter and the sour will remain. —

And in the prophecy of *Sanghavardhana*¹²⁰¹) etc. it is said: — The cast images etc. will be taken into the realm of the *Nāgas*.

^{1200a}) Corrected arr. to Kg. (fol. 220 a. 3): *dgra-bcom-pa naḥi pha yin*. The Xyl. has *naḥi ma yin* "mother".

^{1200b}) The Xyl. leaves out (Kg. fol. 220 a. 4—5) — *tshon sna-brgya yañ deḥi-tshe nub-pas ban-de lia-brgya yañ chos-gos mi-bdog-nas phyugs nag-po* etc. — At that time the hundred different colours will have ceased to exist. Therefore, as it will be impossible (to obtain for) the 500 monks religious robes, they will dress them, etc.

¹²⁰¹) *Dge-ḥdun-ḥphel-gyi lun-bstan-pa*.

All the writings will become corrupt, all the clothes will be coarse, all the tastes except the bitter and the stringent and all the jewels will disappear. The kings themselves will die from grief that the Doctrine is to exist no more. —

All this is said in accordance with (the prophecy that) the Doctrine is to exist 2000 years. In the Sub-commentary to the *Abhisamayālaṃkāra*, composed by Dharmamitra¹²⁰²), it is clearly said that such facts have likewise taken place before. —

In general the causes owing to which the Doctrine ceases to exist, are the cessation of the force of a Buddha's previous vows and entreaties and the fact that the converts to the Teaching are no more to be found. As concerns the conditions, it is said that a Doctrine ceases to exist owing to 3 such conditions, viz. 1. The deterioration of the religious ascetics from their philosophical views and observances, 2. the loss of devotion to the church from the part of the alms-givers, and 3. impediments caused by Māra, by the gods of the latter's realm and by malignant ghosts (*preta*). With regard to the Doctrine of this our Teacher it is clearly said that the conditions for its cessation are the first two. As concerns the time of cessation it is said that, according to the *Prajñapti-śāstra*, (the Doctrine) will disappear when human age will be 40 years. Chag says that it will happen at the period when it will be 30 years. I, however, have not seen any authoritative source affirming this. —

We read moreover in the *Karuṇāpundarīka*¹²⁰³): — After the cessation of Buddha Čākyamuni's Highest Doctrine, the relics (of the Buddha) will sink down to the golden foundation of the earth. Then, when the Sahālokadhātu¹²⁰⁴) will become deprived of precious jewels, these relics will become a Vaiḍūrya stone called Ketumati¹²⁰⁵) which will remove all poverty. Thereafter these relics [136 a.] will rise up till Akaniṣṭha. A rain of flowers will then descend and, from that rain, the names of the 3 Jewels and other different words of the Doctrine will be heard. The gods abiding in the World of Desire and in the Ethereal Sphere will hear these words of the Doctrine and remember their previous virtuous deeds. They will descend into Jambudvīpa and convert men to the 10

¹²⁰²) Tg. MDO. VIII. 121 a. 8. (Pek.) Cf. vol. I. note 1246.

¹²⁰³) Kg. MDO. VI. 354 a. 3—355 b. 1. (N.) The passage in the Xyl. is condensed.

¹²⁰⁴) Mi-mjed-kyi-hjig-rten-gyi kham.

¹²⁰⁵) Tog-gi-blo-gros.

virtues. Moreover, the flowers in the skies will be transformed into diverse precious jewels and will descend into the Sahālokadhātu. And all strife and the like of the living beings in the Sahālokadhātu will be pacified and there will be prosperity and absence of illness. The living beings who will perceive these jewels, touch, and enjoy them, will be rendered irretrievable from (the Doctrine of) the 3 Vehicles. Then the relics will again take up their abode in the depths of the golden foundation of the earth. In a similar manner, at the times of war and famine, and when the 3 intervening ages will come, those relics will be transformed into precious sapphires, will rise up to Akaniṣṭha and abide there. As before, the rain of flowers will descend, the Words of the Doctrine will be heard, a rain of jewels will come down, and all hostile elements will be pacified. Then the relics will again come to abide in the depths of the golden foundation of the earth. —

In the *Nandamitra-avadāna*¹²⁰⁶) it is said: — When the age of men will have the duration of 700 years, the 16 great Elders (Sthaviras) will assemble together all the collections of sacred books belonging to the Doctrine of Čākyamuni wherever they might be. [136 b.] Then they will make a sanctuary of the 7 kinds of jewels and circumambulate (the sacred books) deposited there. Then, having seated themselves down cross-legged, they will say: — Praise be to the Lord, the Tathāgata, the Arhat, the Perfect Supreme Buddha Čākyamuni! — Having made this salutation, the Elders will pass away into the final Nirvāṇa. The sanctuary of the 7 kinds of Jewels will disappear and abide below, in the golden foundation of the earth. After that, the Teaching of the Buddha Čākyamuni, the Highest Doctrine will cease to exist, and thereupon 70 millions of Pratyekabuddhas will appear in this world. Thereafter, when the age of the living beings will have a duration of 80 000 years, the Tathāgata Maitreya will make his apparition on earth. — In the *Bodhisattva-piṭaka* it is said that in the intervening age, from the time when human age will be reduced to 10 years and till the coming of Maitreya, in the period of growth, 80 000 Pratyekabuddhas will appear. According to some sources, the Buddha Maitreya will appear 570 000 000 years after the attainment of Nirvāṇa by the Buddha Čākyamuni. —

¹²⁰⁶) Dgaḥ-baḥi-bḥes-gñen-gyi-rtogs-brjod. Tg. MDO. XC.

Conclusion.

1. The Teaching of the Lord which is a lamp made of precious jewels,
And is the treasury of all the virtues that lead to the super-bliss (of Salvation)¹²⁰⁷,
By the force of time comes to its end
And fades away like a flower deprived of moisture.
2. Now the Doctrine will not abide for long,
Human life is unsteady like a torch exposed to the wind,
The consequences of former deeds, the passions, and the Lord of Death are full of power,
Therefore be devoted to the Doctrine and secure its treasures!¹²⁰⁸
3. This history the monk of Çākya's (spiritual) descent
Who is in the power of this age and deprived of true concentration,
Bu-ton with the large mouth and resembling a parrot, has written down.
May he by the virtue of this soon come to see the countenance of the Invincible (Maitreya)! [137 a.]

Of the History of Buddhism entitled "the Jewellery of Scripture" finished the 2^d Chapter "On the rise of the Doctrine in this world in general".

¹²⁰⁷) *ñes-legs* = *niḥḥreyasa*.

¹²⁰⁸) *rin-chen grub* — an illusion to Bu-ton's personal name.

IV B. The History of Buddhism in Tibet

The second general topic is the way how the Doctrine took its origin in Tibet. We have here 3 sub-divisions: —

- a) The early period of the propagation of the Doctrine.
- b) The subsequent period of propagation.
- c) The index of the doctrinal works translated during these 2 periods.

IV B a. The Earlier Period of Propagation.

As concerns the way how the human generation first appeared in Tibet, we read in the Commentary on the *Devātiçayastotra*¹²⁰⁹ that at the time when the 5 Pāṇḍavas¹²¹⁰ were fighting with the 12 armies of the Kauravas¹²¹¹, the king Rūpati with 1000 warriors, in the disguise of women, fled into the rocky district of the Himālaya. Of these (the Tibetans) are considered to be the offspring. In the Tibetan legends it is said that (the Tibetans) are the descendants of a monkey and the fiendess of a rock. A detailed account of this is to be found elsewhere.

As regards the genealogy of the Tibetan kings, some say that (their ancestor) was the 5th descendant of Prasenajit the king of Kosala, according to some it was the 5th descendant of the youngest, feeble son of Bimbisāra. Still others say that at the time when the Tibetans were oppressed by 12 petty chiefs of the demons and Yakṣas, the king of Vatsa, Udayana¹²¹², had a son born to him, whose eyelids were overhanging and whose fingers were connected with a web. As the child with such distinctive marks appeared, (the king) was frightened and ordered him to be put into a leaden box and thrown into the Ganges. (The boy) was however found

¹²⁰⁹) Lha-las-phul-du-byuñ-baḥi bstod-paḥi ḥgrel-pa. The work of Prajñā-varman, Tg. BSTOD. I.

¹²¹⁰) Skya-bseñ-bu lña.

¹²¹¹) Sgra-nan. The Xyl. has erroneously Dgra-nan.

¹²¹²) Ḥchar-byed.

by a peasant who brought him up. When he grew older, and the story (how he was found) was related to him, he became full of grief and fled to the Himālayas.

Gradually he passed by the Hla-ri Yöl-wa¹²¹³) and came out into the plain of "Tsan with the 4 gates"¹²¹⁴). The Bön priests who came from the Mu-thag¹²¹⁵) and Mu-kā¹²¹⁶) declared that he was a god. [137 b.] After they had asked him who he was and he replied: — I am a mighty one¹²¹⁷), — they inquired from where he came and he pointed with his finger to the sky. After their efforts to comprehend the language of each other turned to be unsuccessful, (the Böns) placed him on a wooden throne which they loaded on the necks of four men and said: — We shall make him our lord. — Therefrom he derived his name of Ña-ṭhi-tsen-po¹²¹⁸) "the neck-chaired Mighty One". It was he who became the first king of Tibet.

His son was Mu-ṭhi-tsen-po¹²¹⁹), the son of the latter Tiñ-ṭhi^{1219a}), the son of this one So-ṭhi, the latter's son Ye-ṭhi, the son of this one — Dag-ṭhi¹²²⁰), and the son of the latter — Si-ṭhi-tsen-po¹²²¹). These are accordingly called the 7 Ṭhi. Up to the time of the latter the worship called the Döl-bön¹²²²) was spread. Of the 3 sons of this king, one who was called Ja-ṭhi¹²²³) received the surname of Pu-de-k'un-gye¹²²⁴). His son was A-ṣo-leg¹²²⁵), and the son of the latter — I-ṣo-leg who built the Chin-bar-tag-tse¹²²⁶), — the first fortified castle. The son of this king was T'o-ṣo-leg who had a son called K'u-rub-leg. The latter's son was Doñ-je-leg¹²²⁷), and the son of this one — Tho-ṣo-leg. These six are known as the "6 Good-Ones of the Earth"¹²²⁸). The son of the last of these kings was Gye-sa-nam-sin-de¹²²⁹) and the son of this one — De-nöl-nam¹²³⁰). From the time of the latter and up to Ṭhi-thog-je-thog-tsen¹²³¹) there was a long succession of kings. As the 26th of this line there appeared the king Tho-tho-ri-ñan-tsen¹²³²). When the latter attained the age of 16 years and was

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| ¹²¹³) Lha-ri-yol-ba. | ¹²¹⁴) Btsan-thañ-sgo-bži. | ¹²¹⁵) Dmu-thag. |
| ¹²¹⁶) Dmu-skas. | ¹²¹⁷) Btsan-po. | ¹²¹⁸) Gñah-khri-btsan-po. |
| ¹²¹⁹) Mu-khri-btsan-po. | ^{1219a}) Diñ-khri. | ¹²²⁰) Gdags-khri. |
| ¹²²¹) Sri-khri-btsan-po. | ¹²²²) Rdol-bon. | ¹²²³) Bya-khri. |
| ¹²²⁴) Spu-lde-guñ-rgyal. | ¹²²⁵) A-ṣo-legs. | |
| ¹²²⁶) Hchiñ-bar-stag-rtse. | ¹²²⁷) Hbroñ-rje-legs. | |
| ¹²²⁸) Saḥi legs drug. | ¹²²⁹) Rgyal-za-rnam-zin-lde. | |
| ¹²³⁰) Lde-snoł-gnam. | ¹²³¹) Khri-thog-rje-thog-btsan. | |
| ¹²³²) Tho-tho-ri-gñan-btsan. | | |

abiding on the summit of the palace Yam-bu-la-gañ, a casket fell from the skies, and when its lid was opened, the *Karaṇḍavyūha-sūtra*¹²³³), the 100 *Precepts*¹²³⁴) concerning Worship and a golden Caitya were found within. The casket received the name of the "Mysterious Helper" and was worshipped (by the king). The latter came to live 120 years and came to witness the dawn of the Highest Doctrine¹²³⁵); up to that time the kingdom had been ruled by the Bön. In a dream (which this king had) it was prophesied to him that on the 5th generation one would come to know the meaning of these (sacred texts which he had miraculously obtained). His son [138 a.] was Ṭhi-ñan-śun-tsen¹²³⁶) who in his turn had a son named Do-ñan-de-ru¹²³⁷). The latter's son was Tag-ri-ñan-śig¹²³⁸) who was born blind. After this son had ascended the throne, he worshipped "the Mysterious Helper" and through this his eyes became opened. He received his surname owing to the fact that he beheld on the Tag-ri a wild sheep (ñan)¹²³⁹) that was going about. The son of this king was Nam-ri-sroñ-tsen¹²⁴⁰). The latter (in his turn) had from his wife Thse-poñ-s'a-di-s'a-thö-kar¹²⁴¹) a son endowed with special marks of beauty and with the form of Amitābha abiding on his head. He was born in the year of the fire-cow and received the name of Ṭhi-de-sroñ-tsen^{1241a}). The form of Amitābha on his head was encircled by a wreath of poppies. Thirteen years of age he ascended the throne and brought under his power all the petty chieftains of the borderland who offered him presents and sent their messages (of submission). —

As at that time no writing existed in Tibet, the son of Anu of the Thon-mi tribe was sent with 16 companions (to India) in order to study the art of writing. After having studied with the Paṇḍit Devavidyāsimha¹²⁴²), they shaped, in conformity with the Tibetan language, (the alphabet) consisting of 30 consonants¹²⁴³) and 4 vowels¹²⁴⁴). The form (of these letters) was given a resemblance

¹²³³) Za-ma-tog-bkod-pa. Kg. MDO. VII.

¹²³⁴) Pan-goñ-phyag-rgya-pa. Kg. MDO. XXIV.

¹²³⁵) Lit.: "Found the head of the Highest Doctrine" (*dam-paḥi-chos-kyi dbu brñes*).

¹²³⁶) Khri-gñan-zuñ-btsan. ¹²³⁷) Hgro-gñan-lde-ru.

¹²³⁸) Stag-ri-gñan-gzigs. ¹²³⁹) gñan. ¹²⁴⁰) Gnam-ri-sroñ-btsan.

¹²⁴¹) Tshe-spoñs-za-hbri-za-thod-dkar.

^{1241a}) Khri-lde-sroñ-btsan. ¹²⁴²) Lhaḥi-rig-pa-señ-ge.

¹²⁴³) gsal-byed. ¹²⁴⁴) āli.

with the Kashmirian characters. After (this alphabet) had been definitely formed at the Maru temple of Lhasa, (Thon-mi) composed 8 works on writing and grammar, and the king studied them 4 years abiding in seclusion. The *Karaṇḍavyūha-sūtra*, the 100 *Precepts*, the *Ratnamegha-sūtra* and others were then translated (into Tibetan).

As at that time the Tibetan subjects were disregarding the royal power, (the king) introduced laws harmonizing with the 10 virtues and converted the Tibetans to Buddhism. Owing to this he is known by the name of Sroṅ-tsen-gam-po¹²⁴⁵) — “Sroṅ-tsen the most accomplished”.

Thereafter, from southern India, (the statue of) the 11 faced Avalokita of finest sandal wood which had become originated by itself was brought. [138 b.] The king then took in marriage Thi-btsun, the daughter of the Nepalese king Aṁṣuvarman¹²⁴⁶). This princess brought with her the images of Akṣobhya-vajra¹²⁴⁷), Maitreya, and Tārā, the latter being of sandal wood. After that the king married the Chinese princess Oñ-co, — the daughter of the Chinese Emperor Seṅ-ge-tsen-po¹²⁴⁸), who brought with her the statue of the Buddha which was afterwards placed in the Ṭhul-nañ¹²⁴⁹) temple. Thereupon Thi-btsun had the desire of building a monastery, but had not the power of doing this. (The king) saw that the ground of Tibet was like (the body of) a she-devil that had fallen on her back, and that it was necessary to press (this she-devil) down. Accordingly, on the right shoulder (he caused to build) the monastery of Ka-tshe¹²⁵⁰), on the left one-Ṭha-nḍug¹²⁵¹), on the right leg — Tsañ-ḍam¹²⁵²), and on the left — Ḍom-pa-gyañ¹²⁵³), these being “the 4 monasteries of the 4 flanks”¹²⁵⁴). Then, on the right elbow, (the monastery of) Koñ-po-p’u-chu¹²⁵⁵), on the left — Hlo-t’ag-khom-thiñ¹²⁵⁶), on the right knee — Ka-t’ag¹²⁵⁷), and on the left T’a-t’um-tse^{1257a}), “the 4 subduers of the borders”¹²⁵⁸) were constructed. Thereafter on the palm of the right hand Luñ-nö¹²⁵⁹) of Jañ-tshe¹²⁶⁰) and on that

¹²⁴⁵) Sroṅ-btsan-sgam-po. ¹²⁴⁶) Ḥod-zer-go-cha. ¹²⁴⁷) Mi-bskyod-rdo-rje.

¹²⁴⁸) Seṅ-ge-btsan-po. ¹²⁴⁹) Ḥphrul-snañ. ¹²⁵⁰) Ska-tshal.

¹²⁵¹) Khra-ḥbrug. ¹²⁵²) Gtsaṅ-ḥgram. ¹²⁵³) Grom-pa-rgyañ.

¹²⁵⁴) Ru-bḥiḥi gtsug-lag-khañ bḥi. ¹²⁵⁵) Koñ-po-bu-chu.

¹²⁵⁶) Lho-brag-khom-mthiñ. ¹²⁵⁷) Ska-brag.

^{1257a}) Bra-dum-rtse. ¹²⁵⁸) Mthañ-ḥdul bḥi. ¹²⁵⁹) Rluñ-gnod.

¹²⁶⁰) Byañ-tshal.

of the left one — the Dan-loñ-thañ-ḍön-ma of Kham^{1260a}), on the right foot — Jam-tin¹²⁶¹) of Mañ-yul, and on the left — the P’um-thañ-pa-t’o-kyer-chu¹²⁶²) of Mon-yul were built and many other monasteries besides. Thereafter, in the middle of the lake O-thañ, (the king) made a foundation of stone covered with wood. Cement having been made out of the mould of the Nāgas and earth having been brought with the help of a goat, the ground was levelled and the monastery of Lhasa, the Rā Ṭhul-nañ¹²⁶³) was built. From the working-tools heaped up in the northern projection of the temple there appeared by itself the form of Avalokita with 11 faces and was prayed to stay. —

Thereafter the king departed to the 5 peaked mountains of China, and built there 108 temples. The Chinese queen Oñ-co (in her turn) built the temple of Ra-mo-che. At that time the Indian teacher Kusara, [139 a.] the Brāhmaṇa Čaṁkara, the Nepalese teacher Čilamañju, the Chinese teacher Hva-čaṅ Mahādeva-tshe, the translator Thon-mi Saṁbhoṭa, his pupil Dharmakoṣa, and Dorje-pal of Hla-luñ translated and edited a certain number of the kanonical texts. —

The King (Sroṅ-tsen-gam-po) is regarded as the incarnation of Avalokita and there exists a biography of him by 2 monks of Li. This king ruled 69 years and died 82 years of age. At that very time the queen Oñ-co said: — Let the statue of Čākyamuni¹²⁶⁴) be brought from Ra-mo-che and placed in the projection of Ṭhul-nañ. Let the door be covered with plaster, and may Mañjuçrī write upon it. — And, with Thi-btsun (and the king), they all 3 coalesced with (the statue of) Avalokita and passed away. The ministers then made (the statues of) the 2 tutelary deities change their places, thus acting according to the testament.

The son of this king was Mañ-roñ-mañ-tsen^{1264a}), his son — K’uñ-sroñ-k’uñ-tsen¹²⁶⁵), the son of the latter Du-sroñ-mañ-po-je-lo-nam-ṭhul-gyi-gyal-po¹²⁶⁶), and the son of this one — Ṭhi-de-tsug-ten¹²⁶⁷). The latter built the fortress of Lhasa, the Phu-

^{1260a}) Ḥdan-kloñ-thañ-sgron-ma.

¹²⁶¹) Byams-sprin.

¹²⁶²) Bum-thañ-spa-gro-skyer-chu. ¹²⁶³) Ras ḥphrul-snañ.

¹²⁶⁴) The Tib. has here and further on Lha Čākyamuni (sic).

^{1264a}) Mañ-roñ-mañ-btsan. ¹²⁶⁵) Guñ-sroñ-guñ-btsan.

¹²⁶⁶) Ḥdu-sroñ-mañ-po-rje-blo-nam-ḥphrul-gyi-gyal-po.

¹²⁶⁷) Ṭhi-de-gtsug-brtan.

nam-sä¹²⁶⁸) of Chim, the T'ar-phur-khar-hlag¹²⁶⁹), the Do-mad-liñ-chu-ṭhi-tse¹²⁷⁰), the Ga-chu-ṣar-go of the Red Cliff¹²⁷¹), the Phañ-thañ-ka-med¹²⁷²), the Ka-chu-pan-chuñ, the Dīn-zañ of the Red Cliff¹²⁷³), etc.

Mūlakoṣa of Lan-ka¹²⁷⁴) and Jñānakumāra of Nāg¹²⁷⁵) translated the Sūtras *Karmaṣāṭaka*¹²⁷⁶) and *Suvarṇaprabhāsottama*, as well as works on Mathematics and Medicine and furthered the spread of the Doctrine.

(The king Ṭhi-de-tsug-ten) had a son called Je-tsha-hla-pön¹²⁷⁷) who married the daughter of the Chinese Emperor Gyim-ṣañ-[139 b.] oñ-co. The son of these died. (The princess) united with the grandfather and worshipped the statue of Čākyamuni. Thereafter, a boy endowed with special marks of beauty was born in the year of the male-earth-horse. At the time when the king departed in order to visit Phañ-thañ, the boy was carried off by Na-nam-s'a¹²⁷⁸), was brought up as the son of the latter and became known by the name of Ṭhi-sroñ-de-tsen¹²⁷⁹). When he was still a child, Sañ-ṣi and others, altogether 4 in number, were sent to China in search of kanonical works. At that time a Chinese Hva-ṣañ who was endowed with the supernatural faculties spread the rumour that the Tibetan messengers were incarnations of Bodhisattva Saints and recommended to treat them as such. (The messengers) came, were honoured by the Chinese Emperor and sent back in the company of a Hva-ṣañ. When they returned to Tibet, the king had died and, as the prince was still a child, the ministers violated the laws and customs, banished those who were acting according to the Doctrine, and made arrangements to send the statue of Čākyamuni back to China. But as 300 men were incapable of moving it, they buried it in sand and made of the emple a slaughter-house. At that time the Na-nam Ṭhi-thog-je-thañ-la-bar¹²⁸⁰) died, having broken his back. Cog-ṭ'u-kye-pa-ñe-gyal-goñ¹²⁸¹) likewise died, having withered away. (After that the ministers) said: — This is a punishment for our having buried

¹²⁶⁸) Phu-gnam-sral. ¹²⁶⁹) Dar-ḥphur-mkhar-lhag.
¹²⁷⁰) Mdo-smad-liñ-chu-khri-rtse. ¹²⁷¹) Brag-dmar du Sga-chu-ṣar-sgo.
¹²⁷²) Hphañ-thañ-ka-med. ¹²⁷³) Brag-dmar-ḥbrin-bzañs.
¹²⁷⁴) Blan-ka. ¹²⁷⁵) Gñags. ¹²⁷⁶) Las-brgya-pa.
¹²⁷⁷) Hjad-tsha-lha-dpon. ¹²⁷⁸) Sna-nam-za.
¹²⁷⁹) Khri-sroñ-lde-btsan. ¹²⁸⁰) Khri-thog-rje-thañ-la-ḥbar.
¹²⁸¹) Cog-gru-skyes-pa-ñes-rgyal-dgoñ.

the deity under sand. — Accordingly, they hoisted the statue on a pair of mules and brought it to Kyi-roñ¹²⁸²) in Mañ-yul. Nevertheless, after that Khar-ṭ'ag¹²⁸³) and Dīn-s'añ¹²⁸⁴) were both destroyed. At that time the nephew and niece of Ba-lañ-lag-gi-pä-sal-nañ¹²⁸⁵), — a brother and a sister had both died. The Hva-ṣañ made magical implements owing to which the maiden a year after was reborn as his own son, in whom the remembrance (of previous existence) appeared. This one, (when he grew up) was selected by the prince as the governor of Mañ-yul and was sent there. At that time Sañ-ṣi, having arrived, took up his abode in solitude at Chö-ṭag¹²⁸⁶). Thereafter, Ṭhi-sroñ-de-tsen, having attained the age of thirteen, ascended the throne. [140 a.] When the biography of this father and grandfather was related to him, the Doctrine was likewise mentioned (in the narrative). (The king) got the sacred texts that were concealed, expressed the wish to study them, and became full of faith. The Chinese Me and Go, and the Pañḍit Ananta, these 3 were appointed to translate (the texts). The translation was accordingly begun, but the minister Ma-sh'añ-ṭ'om-pa-kye¹²⁸⁷) and others caused impediments to this. The ministers who were devoted to the Doctrine, sent Sañ-ṣi to Mañ-yul. Sal-nañ¹²⁸⁸) did not remain at Mañ-yul, but went to India and presented his sacrificial offerings at Mahābodhi and Čri-Nālanda. In Nepal he met with the preceptor Bodhisattva¹²⁸⁹) and invited him to Mañ-yul. Thereafter he built a monastery, made the Creative Effort for Enlightenment, and was henceforth known by the name of Ye-ṣei-vañ-po¹²⁹⁰) (Jñānendra). The teacher (Bodhisattva) whom he prayed to come (afterwards) to Tibet, gave his instructions and his consent and departed to Nepal.

Then, having studied the kanonical works that had been concealed, (Jñānendra) had an interview with the king at the palace of Luñ-tshug¹²⁹¹), held a discussion with him concerning the Doctrine, and related to him the biography of Bodhisattva. — Hide thyself, — said the king. — By the by I will make Sh'añ-ñam-s'añ¹²⁹²) discuss over the matter. — Thereafter Sh'añ-ñam-s'añ, Gö-ṭhi-s'añ¹²⁹³) and the other ministers, devoted to the Doctrine,

¹²⁸²) Skyid-groñ. ¹²⁸³) Mkhar-brag. ¹²⁸⁴) Hbrin-bzañ.
¹²⁸⁵) Ba-lañ-glag-gi-sbas-gsal-snañ. ¹²⁸⁶) Chos-brag.
¹²⁸⁷) Ma-ṣaṇ-grom-pa-skyes. ¹²⁸⁸) Gsal-snañ.
¹²⁸⁹) I. e. the teacher Čāntirakṣita. ¹²⁹⁰) Ye-ṣes-dbañ-po.
¹²⁹¹) Rluñ-tshugs. ¹²⁹²) Ṣaṇ-ñam-bzañ. ¹²⁹³) Hgos-khri-bzañ.

received the orders to act for the sake of the latter. *Nam-s'an* said: — *Ma-sh'an*¹²⁹⁴) is very powerful and is hostile to the Doctrine. Therefore it will be impossible to attain any result. — *Gö* said: — I know a means of action, but you must assist me in the affair. — The king and the ministers gave their approval, and, after *Gö* had reflected (over the means of action), they cast *Ma-sh'an-t'om-pa-kye* alive into a grave and covered the aperture with a block of stone. Thereupon [140 b.] *Jñānendra* was sent to invite the *Ācārya Bodhisattva*. *Lañ-t'ōn-na-ra*¹²⁹⁵), *Ñer-tag-tsen-toñ-s'i*¹²⁹⁶), and *Ḍaṅ-gya-ra-le-s'i*¹²⁹⁷), — these 3 were afterwards despatched to meet them. After they had met at *Mañ-yul*, and *Lañ-t'ōn-na-ra* with the *Ācārya* had been left there, (the *Ācārya*) payed his respects to the governor in his palace. On this occasion the officials of *Sh'an* said: — One must investigate whether he mutters the bad spells of the south or of Nepal or not. Accordingly, *Sañ-çi*, *Señ-k'ōn-hla-luñ-s'i*¹²⁹⁸) and *Me-lan* of the *Chim-pa* tribe were sent (to get information on the subject), but they did not understand the language (of the *Ācārya*). They then prayed the *Kashmirian Ananta* to be interprete, and inquired of what kind the *Ācārya* was. And, as it was said that he was virtuous and had no obscene thoughts, he was invited to the palace and, with the *Kashmirian Ananta* as translator, — he expounded in the palace *Luñ-tshug* for 4 months the teaching of the 10 virtues, of the 18 component elements of the individual, and of the 12-membered causal chain. This brought the malignant deities of Tibet into a fury. *Phañ-thañ* was carried away by a flood, lightning struck in *Mar-po-ri*, and diseases befalling men and cattle broke out. The Tibetan subjects declared that this was a consequence of the propagation of a false doctrine, and the *Ācārya* was sent back to Nepal.

Then, after a long time, *Sal-nañ* of *Ba*¹²⁹⁹) was sent to China in search of kanonical texts. *Sañ-çi* and others, 30 in number, were in their turn despatched in order to invite the *Ācārya* again. At that time a *Hva-čan* of China said: — In 6 months and 6 days an incarnation of the Saint *Açvaghōṣa* will come. — (The Tibetan envoy came), was favoured by the Chinese Emperor, got from the *Hva-čan* the instructions concerning the concentration of mind, and communicated them to his companions. (When *Sal-nañ* had

¹²⁹⁴) Cf. above. Note 1287.

¹²⁹⁵) *Lañ-groñ-sna-ra*.

¹²⁹⁶) *Gñer-stag-btsan-stoñ-gzigs*.

¹²⁹⁷) *Sgrañ-rgya-ra-legs-gzigs*.

¹²⁹⁸) *Señ-goñ-lha-luñ-gzigs*.

¹²⁹⁹) *Sba*.

returned from China, the king said to him): — The *Ācārya* has not up to this time been invited; go therefore (and fetch him). — *Sal-nañ* accordingly went to Nepal and invited the *Ācārya*. Thereafter, when he had come back, he met the king in *Ḍin-s'an* of the Red Cliff and said to him: — As the demons of Tibet are not subdued, they do not admit that one acts for the sake of the Doctrine. [141 a.] They are powerful and endowed with huge bodies. It is therefore necessary to subdue them. Now there exists a teacher called *Padmasambhava* who is endowed with great power and dexterity. You must invite him (in order to pacify the devils). — The king having declared that this was told to him in a dream, sent *Mañ-je-sal-nañ* of *Ba*¹³⁰⁰), and *Señ-k'ōn-hla-luñ*, with 5 attendants, viz. *Dorje-dud-jom*¹³⁰¹) of *Na-nam*, *Jñānasiddhi* of *Ce*¹³⁰²), *Çakyaprabha* of *Chim*, *Jayarakṣita* of *T'an-ti* and *Çri-simha*¹³⁰³) of *Cü-pu*¹³⁰⁴). The teacher came to know about this and went to *K'uñ-thañ* in *Mañ-yul*, where they met. Thereafter he gradually proceeded forward, subduing the malignant deities. Having come to *Ha-sa-po-ri*, he met with the king and then went to *Mal-toi-phu*¹³⁰⁵), and subdued all the Tibetan demons. Thereafter the teacher was invited to *Sam-yä* and established his residence there.

The *Ācārya Bodhisattva* in his turn, examined the ground, took the monastery of *Odantapuri* as a model and made a plan containing the forms of the mount *Sumeru*, the 12 continents, both the sun and the moon, all these surrounded by a circumference of iron. In the female-fire-hare-year the foundation was laid, and first of all the temple of *Avalokita* was built, and images for which the men of Tibet served as patterns, were sculptured. The queen *Che-va-tshe-peñ* *S'a-mar-gyal Me-tog Dolma*¹³⁰⁶) built the *Khamsum-s'an-khañ-liñ*¹³⁰⁷), (the queen) *Pho-yoñ-s'a-gyal-mo-tsün*¹³⁰⁸) built the *U-tshal-ser-khañ-liñ*, and (the queen) *Ḍo-s'a-jai-chub-man*¹³⁰⁹) — the temple of *Ge-gyā-je-ma-liñ*¹³¹⁰). In the female-earth-hare-year the work was accomplished. The *Ācārya Bodhi-*

¹³⁰⁰) *Sba Mañ-rje-gsal-snañ*.

¹³⁰¹) *Rdo-rje-bdud-hjoms*.

¹³⁰²) *Lce*.

¹³⁰³) *Dpal-gyi-señ-ge*.

¹³⁰⁴) *Çud-pu*.

¹³⁰⁵) *Mal-groñi-phu*.

¹³⁰⁶) *Che-ba-tshe-speris Za-dmar-rgyal Me-tog Sgrol-ma*.

¹³⁰⁷) *Khams-gsum-zañ-khañ-gliñ*.

¹³⁰⁸) *Pho-yoñs-za-rgyal-mo-btsun*.

¹³⁰⁹) *Hbro-za-byañ-chub-sman*.

¹³¹⁰) *Dge-rgyas-bye-ma-gliñ*.

sattva and Padmasambhava performed the rites of consecration and a feast was celebrated during 13 years. In the sheep-year 12 monks of the sect of the Sarvāstivādins were invited [141 b.], and it was put to the test, whether the Tibetans could become monks or not. For this purpose 7 men were selected and ordained as monks. According to some, the 3 elder ones of these were Mañjuṣrī of Ba¹³¹¹), Devendra of Tsañ¹³¹²) and Kumudika of Ṭ'añ. The 3 younger ones were Nāgendra of Khön¹³¹³), Vairocana of Pa-k'or¹³¹⁴) and Ācārya Rin-chen-chog of Ma¹³¹⁵). The intermediate one was Katana of Lañ¹³¹⁶). The preceptor of these was said to be Dānaçila, and their religious names were Jñānendra, etc. (According to others), the Ācārya Bodhisattva, having been made preceptor, first of all Ja-ṭhi-s'i¹³¹⁷) took orders and became possessed of the 5 supernatural faculties. Thereafter, Sol-nañ of Ba, Ṭhi-sh'er of Bā, Çita of Sañ, Vairocana Rakṣita of Pa-k'or, Jinottamagoṣa^{1317a}) of Ran-la, Nāgendarakṣita¹³¹⁸) of Khön, Ācārya Rin-chen-chog of Ma, and Leg-ḍub¹³¹⁹) of Tsañ, — 7 in number, who received the religious names of Jñānendra, Çriḡhoṣa, etc. (were ordained). These are spoken of as "the 7 selected ones"¹³²⁰). If we examine the ends of their names and take in consideration that the name of Bodhisattva was Çāntirakṣita, it will be clear that they were the pupils of the latter. The spiritual ancestral line of preceptors¹³²¹) was: — Çāriputra, Rāhula¹³²²), Nāgārjuna, Bhāvaviveka, Çriḡupta, Jñānagarbha and the preceptor Bodhisattva. The portraits of these were painted on the northern wall of Sam-yä.

Thereafter the teacher Padma transformed the sands of Nān-çon into fertile ground, forced the Tsañ-po river to flow downward, and performed other miraculous acts. Then he took the silver urn in which the king used to keep fresh water for washing, cast it into the air and, having obtained the water of the gods of the colour of milk, prayed the king to refresh his body. The ministers however were displeased with this and sent him away.

Furthermore, the Indian teachers Vimalamitra, Buddhaghya¹³²³), Çāntigarbha, Viçuddhasimha [142 a.] with the Tibetan

translators, viz. the 7 selected ones, Dharmāloka¹³²⁴), the Bande Nam-khā, Ratnasena of Do¹³²⁵), Nam-par-mi-tog-pa¹³²⁶), Çākya-prabha¹³²⁷) and others interpreted and translated numerous kanonical works. The Tantric exorcist¹³²⁸) Dharmakīrti having been invited, the rites of consecration of the Yogavajradhātu¹³²⁹) and other magic circles in the Dūd-dül-ñag-pa-liñ¹³³⁰) were performed. The Kashmirian Paṇḍits Jinamitra, Dānaçila and others established the rules of monastic discipline in the Nam-dag-ṭhim-khañ-liñ¹³³¹). The Chinese Hva-çañ and others underwent the practice of meditation in the Mi-yo-sam-ten-liñ¹³³²), works on Grammar and Dictionaries were composed in the Da-jor-tshañ-pai-liñ¹³³³), treasures were stored up in the Kor-dzö-p'e har-liñ¹³³⁴), and the kanonical works were discussed in the monastery of Vairocana. By these and other similar works the Doctrine was fully and thoroughly introduced.

In the year of the dragon the teachers residing in the palace of Den-kar¹³³⁵), the translators Ban-de Pal-tseg¹³³⁶), the Ban-de Nāgendra¹³³⁷) and others made a list of the titles of the sacred texts that were translated in Tibet, as well as the number of divisions¹³³⁸) and Çlokas contained in them, and wrote all this down in the form of a catalogue.

Thereafter the Ācārya Bodhisattva declared that no heretics would appear in Tibet, but that the church of the Buddha would itself be split into 2 sects, and that dispute and controversy would take place. Therefore, — said he, — when that time will come, you must invite my pupil Kamalaçila and, after a controversy will have been held, all strife will be pacified and the true form of the Teaching established. — Thus did he prophesy and soon, having been kicked by a horse, he went to his rest.

Thereafter Çriḡhoṣa¹³³⁹) was appointed teacher and expounded the Doctrine. Jñānendra fled and gave himself up to meditation in Hlo-ṭ'ag¹³⁴⁰). The number of pupils of the Chinese Hva-çañ [142 b.] Mahāyāna increased. These favoured nihilistic views and

¹³¹¹) Dbah. ¹³¹²) Rtsaṅs.
¹³¹³) Hkhon. ¹³¹⁴) Pa-gor. ¹³¹⁵) Rma. ¹³¹⁶) Glaiñ.
¹³¹⁷) Bya-khri-zgiz. ^{1317a}) Rgyal-ba-mchog-dbyaṅs.
¹³¹⁸) Kluḡi-dbañ-po-bsruñ-ba. ¹³¹⁹) Legs-grub.
¹³²⁰) Sad-mi mi bdun. ¹³²¹) mkhan-brgyud. ¹³²²) Sgra-can-zin.
¹³²³) Sañs-rgyas-gsañ-ba.

¹³²⁴) Chos-kyi-snañ-ba. ¹³²⁵) Sgro Rin-chen-sde.
¹³²⁶) Rnam-par-mi-rtog-pa. ¹³²⁷) Çākya-ḡod. ¹³²⁸) Sñags-ḡchañ.
¹³²⁹) Yo-ga-rdo-rje-dbyiñs. ¹³³⁰) Bdud-ḡdul-sñags-pa-gliñ.
¹³³¹) Rnam-dag-khrims-khañ-gliñ. ¹³³²) Mi-gyo-bsam-gtan-gliñ.
¹³³³) Brda-sbyor-tshañ-paḡi-gliñ. ¹³³⁴) Dkor-mdzod-pe-har-liñ.
¹³³⁵) Ldan-dkar. ¹³³⁶) Dpal-brtsegs. ¹³³⁷) Kluḡi-dbañ-po.
¹³³⁸) Bam-po. ¹³³⁹) Dpal-dbyaṅs. ¹³⁴⁰) Lho-brag.

did not exert themselves in the practice of virtue, saying: — By acting according to the Doctrine, by virtuous acts of body and speech, one cannot become a Buddha. One attains the state of the latter by abiding in perfect inactivity. — The Tibetans, for the greater part, found pleasure (in such a conception of the Doctrine) and studied the system (of the Hva-ṇa). Ṣrighoṣa, Ratna of Ba and a few others who adhered to the system of the Ācārya Bodhisattva did not agree (with the Hva-ṇa) neither in the theory nor in the practice, and there was strife (between the 2 parties). When the king gave the order that one should follow theoretically and practically the system of the Ācārya Bodhisattva, the Tön-mün-pa¹³⁴¹⁾ (the Chinese party) were enraged, armed themselves with sharp knives and threatened to kill all the Tsen-min-pa (the adherents of Bodhisattva)¹³⁴²⁾. The king, distressed, sent for Jñānendra in order to summon him. Twice (the envoys) sought and did not find him. They were then sent for a third time with the directions to kill (Jñānendra) if he did not come. Accordingly, they came into a cavern, 12 fathoms deep, and having descended (and found Jñānendra there), they prayed him to come. Thinking that if he would not go, he would be killed or would have to commit suicide, he went and told the king that it was not proper to summon him, since the commandments of the teacher (Bodhisattva) were of another kind. By this the king was reminded (of the Ācārya's instructions) which he had forgotten, and sent a messenger to invite the teacher Kamalaṣila. This the Hva-ṇa came to know and, having obtained the *Ṣatasāhasrikā* and other Sūtras of profound meaning, taught and explained them, and composed the *Dhyāna-svapna-cakra*¹³⁴³⁾, "the Attainment of the state of Absorption", refuting the challenges directed against the preceding work, "the Repeated Attainment", "the Reverse Side of the System", vindicating the theory by Logic, "the Sources in the form of 80 Sūtras"¹³⁴⁴⁾, proving it by means of Scripture, etc. In all these works it was demonstrated that the action according to the Doctrine was unnecessary, and that it was sufficient to abide in a state of sleep. And, seeing that the *Samdhinirmocana-sūtra* disagreed with his views and conduct, (the Hva-ṇa) cast it away with a kick. At that time Jñānendra [143 a] prayed the king to

¹³⁴¹⁾ Ston-mun-pa. Cf. below.

¹³⁴²⁾ Cf. below.

¹³⁴³⁾ Bsam-gtan-ñal-baḥi-ḥkhor-lo.

¹³⁴⁴⁾ Mdo-sde-rgyad-cu-khuṇs.

listen himself to the exposition of the precepts of the Ācārya. The king was delighted and said: — You are my Ācārya! — Thereafter the teacher Kamalaṣila arrived. The king seated himself in the middle, the Hva-ṇa was given a place to his right and the teacher (Kamalaṣila) to his left side. The Tsen-min were placed so as to form the retinue (of Kamalaṣila). The king, having handed to both wreaths of flowers, declared: — Ye two are to hold a controversy. To him who conquers, the vanquished must present his wreath and dare no longer abide here! —

Then the Hva-ṇa spoke: — If one commits virtuous or sinful deeds, one comes to blissful or to evil births (respectively). In such a way the deliverance from the Saṃsāra is impossible, and there will be always impediments to the attainment of Buddhahood. (The virtuous and the sinful deeds) are just like white and black clouds which alike obscure the sky. But he who has no thoughts and inclinations at all, can be fully delivered from Phenomenal Life. The absence of any thought, search, or investigation brings about the non-perception¹³⁴⁵⁾ of the reality of separate entities. In such a manner one can attain (Buddhahood) at once, like (a Bodhisattva) who has attained the 10th Stage. —

To this Kamalaṣila himself answered as follows: — Thou sayest thus that one ought not to think about anything whatever. But this means the negation (or rejection) of the Highest Analytic Wisdom likewise. Now as the latter represents the foundation of the Divine Wisdom of a Saint, the rejection of it necessarily leads to the negation of this sublime Transcendental Wisdom. If Analytic Wisdom is absent, what meditator can come to abide in a state where there is no constructive thought? — If one has no thought concerning any of the elements of existence and does not direct the mind upon them, this does not mean that one can cease to remember all that one has experienced and to think of it. If I think: — [143 b.] I must not recall in my mind any element of existence, — such a thought will itself be an intense recollection and activity of the mind. If the mere absence of (consciousness and) recollection is regarded as sufficient, it follows that in a swoon or at the time of intoxication one comes to the state where there is no constructive thought. Now, (in reality) without correct analysis there is no means of attaining the liberation from constructive

¹³⁴⁵⁾ *mi-dmigs-pa* = *anupalambha*.

thought. If we merely cease to reflect and have no discrimination, how can we come to the cognition of the Non-substantiality of all the elements? — And, without the cognition of Non-substantiality, it is impossible to remove the Obscurations. Therefore, the incorrect representation can be cast away only by means of the correct Analytic Wisdom. For this reason it is not proper to say, that one does not reflect, when in reality it is the reverse. Without recollection and correct activity of the mind, how can one come to remember the place of former residence¹³⁴⁶) and attain Omniscience? And how will it be possible to extirpate the passions? — But the Yogin who reflects over an object by means of correct Analytic Wisdom, cognizes all the external and internal elements in the present, past, and future as non-substantial, has all thought-construction pacified within him, and rejects all the evil doctrines. On this foundation he becomes skilful in expedients and in the manifestation of Highest Wisdom. And, having through this cleared all the Obscurations, he can attain the state of a Buddha. —

Thereafter the king said: — All the adherents (of Kamala-çila) must likewise make their objections. — Accordingly Çrighoṣa spoke as follows: — The Chinese are of the opinion that one has to enter (the Stage of a Buddha) at once, but not by gradual practice. According to them, the 6 Transcendental Virtues are to be taken as the mere negation of their reverse. Highest Charity¹³⁴⁷) is thus viewed only as the absence of greediness. The fact of abstaining from every kind of appropriation thus represents the Highest Transcendental Charity. So they have it in connection (with each of the 6 virtues) up to that of Highest Wisdom. [144 a.] For a long time after the Teacher had passed away, there were no disagreeing points in (the main points of) the Teaching. At present, contrary to the 3 varieties of the Mādhyamikas, the Tön-mün-pa wish to attain Buddhahood at once, and (pretend to) do so without searching and cognition. Of course, there are many methods of acting, but the very process of attaining Enlightenment, as well as the result of it is only one; (therefore it is impossible to attain it by means of a way that is quite unsuitable for this). —

Then spoke Jñānendra: — The attainment (of Buddhahood) at once and the action by degrees must both be investigated. If

¹³⁴⁶) *ñhon-gyi gnas rjes-su-dran-pa* = *pūrva-nivāsa-anusmṛti*.

¹³⁴⁷) *sbyin-paḥi pha-rol-tu-phyin-pa* = *dāna-pāramitā*.

the action by degrees is right, then (in doing nothing) you cannot be possessed of the factors of attainment and will be very unlike us. And, if you attain (Buddhahood) at once, what are you doing at present? You must be Buddhas from the very beginning and, (according to your point of view), there will be no fault in admitting this. Now, when you ascend a mountain, you must do it step by step, but you are not capable of doing it at once. In a similar manner, if it be difficult to attain the first Stage (even by degrees), what is there to say of the attainment of Omniscience? According to the point of view of us, the Tsen-min-pa, it is necessary to become trained in the 3 kinds of Analytic Wisdom, then, on the basis of all the different subjects of Scripture, to apprehend correctly the meaning of the latter, to receive training in the practice of the 10 virtues, to attain steadfastness by the means of profound meditation, to enter the first Stage and come to the guiltless state (of a Bodhisattva)¹³⁴⁸), and then, passing through gradual training on the 10 Stages, to attain Buddhahood by means of the 10 virtues. — If we admit your point of view, it follows that the Accumulations of Merit need not to be brought to accomplishment, mental training is not required, and the knowledge of the worldly matters is unnecessary. But, in such a case, how can the knowledge of everything cognizable be attained? If you do nothing and only sleep, you will not even take food and thus die of hunger! And, in such a way, where and when are you to attain Buddhahood? If you walk without searching and investigating, you will needs fall; where and when can you thus cognize the Truth? —

Thus and more spoke he in detail and the Tön-mün-pa were incapable of giving an answer. They gave the wreath of flowers to the teacher, and declared themselves vanquished. [144 b.] Co-ma-ma¹³⁴⁹) and other (adherents of the Hva-çaṅ) were distressed and, having smitten their bodies with stones, died, as runs the tradition.

Thereafter the king gave the following order: — Henceforth, as concerns the theory, one must adopt the system of Nāgārjuna. With regard to the practice, — one must become trained in the 10 kinds of virtuous conduct and in the 10 Transcendental Virtues.

¹³⁴⁸) (*byañ-chub-sems-dpaḥi*) *skyon-med-pa* = (*bodhisattvasya*) *nyāma*.

¹³⁴⁹) Co-rma-rma.

As to the Tön-mün views, the propagation of these is not to be permitted! — Accordingly the Hva-čan was sent back to China, and his books were collected and kept concealed in a store-house. Now, Tön-mün and Tsen-min are Chinese words signifying "simultaneists" and "gradualists". —

Later on, four Chinese butchers, sent by the Hva-čan, killed the teacher Kamalaçila by squeezing his kidneys. Jñānendra passed away, having refused to take food. The king in his turn died 69 years of age, and was held to have been an incarnation of Mañjuçrī. His son, Mu-ne-tsen-po assumed the reign in the male-water-tiger-year, caused 4 great religious services to be celebrated at Sam-yā, and thrice established equality between the rich and the poor of his Tibetan subjects. Having reigned for a year and 7 months, he died 17 years of age, having been poisoned by his mother. After that, his younger brother, Thi-de-tsen-po¹³⁵⁰, then 4 years of age, was made king, and was (later on) known by the surname of Se-na-le¹³⁵¹. (This king built the Kar-chuñ-gya-de¹³⁵²) and greatly furthered the spread of the Doctrine. Five sons were born to him: Thi-de-sroñ-tsen¹³⁵³, Ral-pa-cen-tsañ-ma¹³⁵⁴, Thi-darma-u-t'um-tsen¹³⁵⁵, Hla-rje-hlün-dub¹³⁵⁶, and Thi-chen-po¹³⁵⁷. Ral-pa-cen who was considered to be the incarnation of Vajrapāṇi began to reign 18 years of age and built the palace of Ōn-cañ-do¹³⁵⁸ with 9 storeys. Before, in the time of his forefathers, the teacher Bodhisattva, [145 a.] Jñānendra, Sh'añ-gyal-nēn-ñā-s'añ¹³⁵⁹, Lön-ñhi-sh'ir-sañ-çi¹³⁶⁰, the translators Jñānadeva-koṣa, Khyi-ḍug¹³⁶¹ of Ce¹³⁶², the Brāhmaṇa Ananta and others created a literary language that contained many words unintelligible to the Tibetans. Besides, different translations were made from the Chinese, from the language of Li and Sahor, etc. Owing to this there were many different renderings of words and the study of the Doctrine became very difficult. Seeing this, the king issued the following order: — The Aparāntaka teachers¹³⁶³ Jinamitra, Surendrabodhi, Çilendrabodhi, and Bodhimitra, the Tibetan

¹³⁵⁰) Khri-lde-btsan-po. ¹³⁵¹) Sad-na-legs.

¹³⁵²) Skar-chuñ-rgya-sde. ¹³⁵³) Khri-lde-sroñ-btsan.

¹³⁵⁴) Ral-pa-can-gtsañ-ma.

¹³⁵⁵) Khri-dar-ma-u-dum-btsan. ¹³⁵⁶) Lha-rje-lhun-grub.

¹³⁵⁷) Khri-chen-po. ¹³⁵⁸) Hon-cañ-rdo.

¹³⁵⁹) Žañ-rgyal-nēn-ñā-bzañ. ¹³⁶⁰) Blon-khri-bžir-sañ-çi.

¹³⁶¹) Khyi-ḥbrug. ¹³⁶²) Lce. ¹³⁶³) Ni-ḥog-gi-mkhan-po.

teachers Ratnarakṣita and Dharmatāçila, the skilful translators Jñānasena¹³⁶⁴), Jayarakṣita, Mañjuçrīvarman, Ratnendraçila and others are to translate the Hinayānistic and Mahāyānistic Scriptures into Tibetan directly from the Sanskrit^{1364a}). The titles are to be registered and written down so as to form an index. In no case are the rules of translation to be violated, and one must make the translations so that it could be possible for everyone to study. — Moreover, the texts translated before were re-edited in the new language, 3 different forms of instructions were made, and it was prescribed that the Hinayānistic Scripture other than that acknowledged by the Sarvāstivādins, and the secret charms were not to be translated. Finally, measures as the *Droṇa*¹³⁶⁵), *Srañ*, *Sho*, and others were introduced, in accordance with those of India. To every ecclesiastic 7 families were appointed, from which he was to receive his alms. (The king himself honoured the members of the clergy) by making of his head a seat for them and by touching their feet with his head. He made war with China, was victorious, and the numerous reports of his generals were written down on the Long Stone¹³⁶⁶) in Lhasa.

Now, as the government of the city was entrusted to a monk, the ministers who rejoiced in sinful deeds were enraged [145 b.] and made secret machinations in order to violate the precepts of the Doctrine. The king's son Tsañ-ma who had taken orders was expelled to T'omo. Scandalous talk was spread about that the queen Nañ-tshul-ma and the great Bande Yon-ten-pal¹³⁶⁷) had secrete intercourse with each other. Finally, the great Bande was murdered and the queen committed suicide. The king himself, 36 years of age, in the female-iron-bird-year was assassinated by Pā-gyal-to-re¹³⁶⁸) and Co-re-leg-ma¹³⁶⁹) who turned round his neck. Thereafter, the Tsen-po Lañ-dar-ma-u-dum-tsen took possession of the kingdom. The devil-like Pā-gyal-to-re who was appointed minister for inward affairs, the minister Na-nam-gyal-tsha-ñhi-sum¹³⁷⁰) and others did much that was contrary to the

¹³⁶⁴) Usually known by his Tibetan equivalent — Ye-çes-sde.

^{1364a}) Cf. Cordier, Index du Bstan-hgyur, II. p. 487. All the translators and Pañdits just mentioned are indicated as those who have compiled the Ma-hāvyutpatti.

¹³⁶⁵) Bre-bo. ¹³⁶⁶) Rdo-rins. ¹³⁶⁷) Yon-tan-dpal.

¹³⁶⁸) Dpas-rgyal-to-re. ¹³⁶⁹) Co-re-legs-smra.

¹³⁷⁰) Sna-nam-rgyal-tsha-khri-gsum.

precepts of the Doctrine. The school-house where the Lotsavas and Paṇḍits had translated the kanonical works was destroyed, the translations remained inachieved, and the consecration of the Ōn-cañ-do was not performed. Thereafter, when the king grew older, a devil took possession of his mind, and he ordered that all the monks were to renounce to religious life. To all those who did not wish to give up the distinctive marks of monkhood, he ordered to give bows, arrows, drums and tambourins, and sent them to transact the business of hunters. Those who disobeyed were put to death. As the king was not able to remove the statue of Čākyamuni, he ordered to hide it, having buried it in sand, barred the doors of the temple, covered them with plaster and ordered to draw upon them the picture of a monk drinking wine. The doors of Sam-yā and Ra-mo-che were likewise plastered with mould, and the books for the greater part hidden amidst the rocks of Lhasa.

Then, some time after, Pal-gyi-dorje of Hla-lun who was practising meditation at Yer-pai-lhai-ñiñ-po¹³⁷¹⁾ heard about all this, and the Highest Commiseration with the king¹³⁷²⁾ became originated

¹³⁷¹⁾ Yer-paḥi-lhaḥi śñiñ-po.

¹³⁷²⁾ It seems strange that Lañ-dar-ma's assassin, setting out to murder the king, should have "thoughts of Commiseration" with respect to him. But, in accordance with the Tantric standpoint, the murder itself is committed out of Commiseration. This is clearly expressed in Tripiṭakamāla's Naya-traya-pradipa, Tg. RGYUD. LXXII. 26 a. 5—7. — *gañ yañ chos bstan-pa-la-sogs-pas sdig-pa-las ldog-par-mi-nus-la / ma-bzlog-na-ni ñes-par-spyod-pa ma-bzad-pa byas-paḥi phyir dmyal-ba-las sogs-paḥi sdug-bśnal-las gdon-par mi-nus-so // deḥi-phyir ni śñags-pas Gcin-rje-gced-la-sogs-paḥi tiñ-ñe-ḥdzin dañ śñags dañ rygud-kyi sbyor-bas bsad-pa yañ rjes-su-śñan-ba yin-no // de-lta-bus ḥchi-ba-ni gñis-su-med-paḥi tiñ-ñe-ḥdzin-la so-sor-brten-pas bde-ḥgror skye ñiñ byañ-chub-kyi-sems-kyi sa-bon-la rjes-su-ñugs-pas deḥi dgos-pa chen-po-ñid-du ḥgyur-ba-ñid yin-no //* There are some whom it is impossible to divert from sin by teaching (to them) the Doctrine and the like. But, if they are not converted, they will continue to commit sinful deeds of great violence, and it will be therefore quite impossible to rescue them from the sufferings of hell and the like (which will be the consequence of their deeds). It is for this reason that, in accordance with the Tantric proceeding, as for instance we have it in the transic meditation and spells of Yamāri and the like, the taking away of life (of a living being in order to save him) is permitted. He who is caused to die in such a manner can subsequently take recourse to the transic meditation contemplating the unity of the Universe (*advaya-samādhi*), can assume a blissful state of existence, and can further the origination of the mind directed toward Enlightenment (*bodhi-citta*). Therefore (the act of killing such a being in order to transfer him to a blissful existence) is of great help (and furthers the weal of this being).

in him. He mounted a white horse, having smeared it black with coal, put on a fur-coat with the white side inward and the black one outward, took an iron bow and an iron arrow, came to Lhasa, saw the king as he was reading the inscriptions of the Long Stone, [146 a.] dismounted before him as he was sitting with his body leaning on the sanctuaries of the monastery and of that of Gānden. Having approached him, he lowered his knee and at the same time, bent his bow. The king, in his turn, thought that he was saluting him. At the first salutation he bent the bow. At the second he fitted the arrow, and at the third he loosened the bow-string. The arrow, parting, struk the breast (of the king). (Pal-dorje) said: — I am the black demon Ya-sh'er. If a sinful king is to be killed, it must be done in such a manner. With these words he fled. A great clamour arose in Lhasa: — The king has been murdered; hasten to the pursuit of the assassin! — (Pal-dorje) then washed the horse in the lake of Mi-nag, put on his coat, having turned it with the white part outward, and, saying: — Now I am the white demon of the skies¹³⁷³⁾, continued his flight. It was thus impossible for the pursuers to get hold of him. Some say that they lost sight of him at Drañ-sroñ-srin-po-nañ¹³⁷⁴⁾ others — at T'ib-se-dom-gyi-phu¹³⁷⁵⁾, and still others — at Than-mo-do-riñ after it had grown dark. Thereafter, having taken with him the *Abhidharma-samuccaya*, the Vinaya text *Prabhāvatī*, and the *Karmaçataka*, (Pal-dorje) departed to Kham. Now, of the Paṇḍits, some were banished and some driven out of the country. The greater part of the Lotsavas had fled, and Tiñ-ñe-dzin-s'añ-po¹³⁷⁶⁾ of Ñaṇ, Rin-chen-chog of Ma, and others were killed by murderers who were sent to them. In such a manner the Doctrine was rooted out.

Now, the eldest wife of Lañ-dar-ma declared that she was pregnant with a child, and then, after she had sought and found a little child, she showed it saying: — It has been born to me yesterday. — The ministers said to this: — A child born a day before cannot have teeth. Let him carefully preserve the instructions of his mother!¹³⁷⁷⁾ Accordingly the boy became known by

¹³⁷³⁾ *gnam-theḥu-dkar-po.*

¹³⁷⁴⁾ Drañ-sroñ-srin-po.

¹³⁷⁵⁾ Grib-se-sgrom-gyi-phu.

¹³⁷⁶⁾ Tiñ-ñe-ḥdzin-bzañ-po.

¹³⁷⁷⁾ The context is not quite clear — *mdaṇ skyes-paḥi bu-chuñ-la so mi-ḥbyuñ-ste / yum-gyi bkaḥ brtan-du-chug gsuñs-pas / yum-brtan ñes-grags-te /*

the surname of Yum-tan¹³⁷⁸) (preserving his mother's word). His son was Thi-de-gön-po¹³⁷⁹), and the son of this one — Gön-nien. The latter in his turn had 2 sons — Rig-pa [146 b.] -gön-po¹³⁸⁰) and Ni-ö-pal-gön¹³⁸¹). The son of Rig-pa-gön was Thi-de-po¹³⁸²), and the latter's son — Thi-ö-po¹³⁸³). This one had 3 sons: A-tsa-ra, Gön-po-tsen¹³⁸⁴), and Gön-po-tseg¹³⁸⁵). The son of Ni-ö-pal was Gön-cö¹³⁸⁶) and the son of the latter was Tsha-nal Ye-çei-gyal-tshen¹³⁸⁷). — This is the elder line.

The younger queen (of Lañ-dar-ma) had a son born in the year of the wooden cow. As she feared that the elder queen would kill the boy or carry him away, she held watch over him, keeping him constantly in the light, — of the sun at day-time and of that of a lamp by night. Owing to this he was called Ö-sruñ¹³⁸⁸) — "guarded by light". This son ascended the throne and died 63 years of age. His son was Pal-khor-tsen-po¹³⁸⁹) who began to reign with 13 years and died, aged 31. He had 2 sons, — Ta-çi-tseg-pa-pal¹³⁹⁰) and Thi-kyi-de-ñi-ma-gön¹³⁹¹). The first of these became king and had in his turn 3 sons, — Pal-de¹³⁹²) the eldest, Ö-de¹³⁹³) the intermediate, and Kyi-de¹³⁹⁴) the youngest. Ni-ma-gön having been banished to Ña-ri, built in Pu-rañ a castle called Ñi-s'uñ and lived there. He had 3 sons: The eldest, Pal-gyi-de-rig-pa-gön¹³⁹⁵) ruled the country of Mar, the intermediate — Ta-çi-de-gön¹³⁹⁶) was in possession of Pu-rañ and the youngest — De-tsug-gön¹³⁹⁷) governed Sh'añ-sh'uñ. The latter prince had 2 sons, — Khor-de¹³⁹⁸) and Sroñ-de. At that time in Ü and Tsañ religious discipline, the exposition of the Doctrine, and the study and preaching of it had altogether ceased. The stewards of the monasteries wore skirts with collars, called themselves Sthaviras and Arhats, and said that they were observing the monastic rules. In reality, they kept them only during the short time of the 3 summer months. Then, having declared that the time of fast had passed away,

- ¹³⁷⁸) Yum-brtan. ¹³⁷⁹) Khri-lde-mgon-po.
¹³⁸⁰) Rig-pa-mgon-po. ¹³⁸¹) Ñi-hod-dpal-mgon.
¹³⁸²) Khri-lde-po. ¹³⁸³) Khri-hod-po. ¹³⁸⁴) Mgon-po-btsan.
¹³⁸⁵) Mgon-po-brtsegs. ¹³⁸⁶) Mgon-spyod.
¹³⁸⁷) Tsha-nal Ye-çes-rgyal-mtshan. ¹³⁸⁸) Hod-sruñs.
¹³⁸⁹) Dpal-ñkhor-btsan-po. ¹³⁹⁰) Bkra-çis-brtsegs-pa-dpal.
¹³⁹¹) Khri-skyid-lde-ñi-ma-gön. ¹³⁹²) Dpal-lde.
¹³⁹³) Hod-lde. ¹³⁹⁴) Skyid-lde.
¹³⁹⁵) Dpal-gyi-lde-rig-pa-mgon. ¹³⁹⁶) Bkra-çis-lde-mgon.
¹³⁹⁷) Lde-gtsug-mgon. ¹³⁹⁸) Ñkhor-lde.

they did no more observe (the rules prescribed for the clergy). The exorcists [147 a.] did not understand the meaning of the Tantras and indulged in adultery and the like.

IV. Bb. The Subsequent Propagation of the Doctrine in Tibet.

At the time of the persecution of the Doctrine by Dar-ma, 3 men¹³⁹⁹) viz. Rab-sal of Tsañ¹⁴⁰⁰), Yo Ge-juñ¹⁴⁰¹) of P'o-t'ön-pa and Mar Çäkyamuni of Tö-luñ¹⁴⁰²) were abiding in meditation on the Pal-chu-vo-ri¹⁴⁰³). They chanced to see the monk Khyi-ra-je-pa¹⁴⁰⁴), asked what the news were, and came to know that the king had rooted out the Doctrine. They then loaded the Vinaya texts on a young mule, fled to the upper Ña-ri and, having made their way through Gar-log, they reached the land of Hor. They had the intention of introducing the Doctrine into this land of a different race and language, but were unable of doing this. So they went to the P'e-ro-tsha-tshon in the southern Amdo and again gave themselves up to meditation in the Ma-luñ-dorje-t'ag-ra-an-chuñ-nä-dzoñ-t'ar-rig-çel-gyi-yañ-gön¹⁴⁰⁵). Thus they were seen by the shepherds of Ma-chu who told about them to the people of Goñ-ka¹⁴⁰⁶). Now, Mu-s'ug-la-bar who was virtuous and worthy and who had attained the stage of Action in Faith^{1406a}) went to see them and, having become full of devotion, prayed to be admitted into the religious order. Accordingly, the text of the Vinaya was handed over to him (by the meditators) who said: — Read this! If thou wilt believe we shall ordain thee. — He read, became full of faith, and shed tears. And, at that very place he was made a novice, Tsañ having become his principal¹⁴⁰⁷), and Yo — his teacher¹⁴⁰⁸). He received his religious name from both principal and teacher and was called Ge-va-rab-sal¹⁴⁰⁹). Later on, owing to his sublime mind, he became known as Goñ-pa-rab-sal¹⁴¹⁰) "he with

- ¹³⁹⁹) Hjad-kyi gyel-mi. (?) ¹⁴⁰⁰) Gtsañ Rab-gsal.
¹⁴⁰¹) Gyo Dge-ñbyuñ.
¹⁴⁰²) Stod-luñs-pa Smar Çäkyamuni. (sic.)
¹⁴⁰³) Dpal-chu-bo-ri. ¹⁴⁰⁴) Khyi-ra-byed-pa.
¹⁴⁰⁵) Rma-luñ-rdo-rje-brag-ra-an-chuñ-gnas-rdzoñ-dar-rig-çel-gyi-yañ-dgon.
¹⁴⁰⁶) Dgoñs-ka.
^{1406a}) *mos-pas-spyod-pa'i sa = adhimukti-caryā-bhūmi.*
¹⁴⁰⁷) *mkhan-po*. Here and further on Tsañ for Rab-sal of Tsañ. Cf. above.
¹⁴⁰⁸) *slob-dpon*. Yo is an abbreviation of Yo Ge-juñ. (Gyo Dge-ñbyuñ). Cf. above. ¹⁴⁰⁹) Dge-ba-rab-gsal. ¹⁴¹⁰) Dgoñs-pa-rab-gsal.

sublime thoughts". Thereafter he requested to become fully ordained as a monk, but they told him that not less than 5 monks had the right to do this. Now, before [147 b.] he had seen 3 monks who had been ordained by Pal-dorje of Lha-luñ and who were abiding in Loñ-thañ¹⁴¹¹). He searched for them, and, having met with Pal-gyi-dorje, repeated his request. But (Pal-gyi-dorje) said: — I have killed the king and cannot therefore fill up the number required. I shall therefore seek (for others). Accordingly, he found the Chinese Hva-çañs Ke-vañ and Gyi-vañ and sent them. Thereafter, when the year of his noviciate had passed, (Goñ-pa-rab-sal) was ordained by the conclave of 5 (monks). His former principal and teacher became such anew. Mar was appointed as his esoteric teacher¹⁴¹²), and the 2 Chinese monks were the assistants.

Thereupon, 5 years passed away, and then 5 men of Ü, viz. Lag-pa-lam-pa Lu-mē tshul-thim¹⁴¹³), Çei-rab-dīñ Ye-çei-yon-tan¹⁴¹⁴), Rag-çi Tshul-thim-juñ-nä¹⁴¹⁵), Tshul-thim-lo-dö¹⁴¹⁶) of Ba, and Ye-çei-lo¹⁴¹⁷) of Sum-pa, and 5 men of Tsañ, viz. from Gurmo Rab-kha-pa Lo-tön¹⁴¹⁸) and Dorje-vañ-chug¹⁴¹⁹), Çei-rab-señ-ge of Çab-go-ñai-tshoñ-tsün¹⁴²⁰), the 2 brothers Ö-gye of Na-ri¹⁴²¹), and U-pa-t'e-kar-pa¹⁴²²) of P'o-t'ön, — altogether 10 men came and prayed Tsañ¹⁴²³) to ordain them. But he said: — I am old and cannot take pupils under my care. Address yourself therefore to the Great Lama¹⁴²⁴). — Accordingly, they repeated their request to the latter, but this one said: — Five years have not yet passed away, since I have been ordained myself. I cannot therefore be a principal. But Tsañ said in his turn: — Be such, as an exception! — Thus the Great Lama was made principal, Tsañ and Yo became respectively the moral preceptor and the esoteric teacher, and Mar with the Hva-çañs were the assistants. Thereafter the Great Lama said: — Lo-tön, as he is powerful, must protect the church, Lu-mē, being highly revered, is to be principal, Tsoñ-ge¹⁴²⁵), as

¹⁴¹¹) Klon-thañ. ¹⁴¹²) gsañ-ston.

¹⁴¹³) Klag-pa-lam-pa Klu-mes tshul-khrims.

¹⁴¹⁴) Çes-rab-hbrin Ye-çes-yon-tan.

¹⁴¹⁵) Rag-çi tshul-khrims-hbyuñ-gnas.

¹⁴¹⁶) Rba Tshul-khrims-blo-gros. ¹⁴¹⁷) Ye-çes-blo.

¹⁴¹⁸) Lo-ston. ¹⁴¹⁹) Rdo-rje-dbañ-phyug.

¹⁴²⁰) Çab-sgo-lñahi tshoñ-btsun Çes-rab-señ-ge.

¹⁴²¹) Mñah-ris-pa Hod-brgyad sbung ñis.

¹⁴²²) U-pa-de-dkar-pa. ¹⁴²³) I. e. Rab-sal.

¹⁴²⁴) I. e. Goñ-pa-rab-sal. ¹⁴²⁵) I. e. Tshoñ-tsün Çei-rab-señ-ge.

he has an acute mind, is to become preceptor, Dīñ, as he is skilful in transacting business, is to be the custodian of the place [148 a.]. Thereafter the greater part of them went upward (that is to Tibet proper), but Lu-mē remained studying the Vinaya with Ye-çei-gyal-tshen of Dum¹⁴²⁶). At that time the younger brother of Rag-çi and the younger brother of Ba¹⁴²⁷) came to meet them. They encountered at Loñ-thañ and the 2 juniors, having come to faith, took orders, Lo having become their preceptor and the 2 seniors — their teachers. This is the reason why the 2 Ba and the 2 Rag are always mentioned together. Then Lo-tön said: — You are to remain here. I in my turn shall make friends with these merchants that go to Ü and Tsañ, depart with them and see if I can propagate the Doctrine there. If I am able to do this, I shall remain, and you must likewise come. If not, I shall come back. Accordingly, he made company with the merchants of Dan-ma. Now, as these merchants, thinking that in Sum-thañ¹⁴²⁸) some commercial affairs could be transacted, were about to return, he said to them: — Do not carry on your trade here, but go to Tsañ. In Gur-mo there is a man called Lo-nä-tsug-na¹⁴²⁹). To him you must say: — Thy son has taken orders, and thou must now reside in Ü. Having thus spoken, he encouraged them to go. Accordingly, they had good luck in their trade, and up to this day, Gur-mo is a commercial centre, having become such by the grace of Lo-tön. The next year Lu-me said to his principal: — I am going to Ü and Tsañ and pray thee to give me an object of worship. (The principal) gave him a Bon-pa cap which he had ceased to wear and which was covered with yellow ground, as it had been thrown into a pit. — Wear this and remember me, — such were the teacher's words. Thereupon Lu-mē went upward to Central Tibet, and soon they all came to Ü. Now, in former times the place of residence of the learned and the monks was Lhasa. But recently it had become the place of slaughter and massacre and it was therefore not proper for them to go there. So they went instead to Sam-yä. After that Lu-me took possession of Ku-chu, [148 b.] and his spiritual descent maintained the U-chal¹⁴³⁰) and U-tse.¹⁴³¹) The

¹⁴²⁶) Grum Ye-çes-rgyal-mtshan.

¹⁴²⁷) Rba, i. e. Rba Tshul-khrims-blo-gros. ¹⁴²⁸) Sum-hphrañ.

¹⁴²⁹) Lo-nad-gtsug-na. This is evidently the father of Lo-tön.

¹⁴³⁰) Dbu-chal. ¹⁴³¹) Dbu-rtse.

spiritual descent of Rag-çi occupied the Ge-gyā¹⁴³²), and Dīn¹⁴³³ the S'añ-khañ¹⁴³⁴). Thereafter the 5 monks of Ü declared that it was necessary to build places of residence for themselves. Accordingly Lu-mē built the La-mo-chag-t'eu¹⁴³⁵). He had 4 pupils: —

1. T'u-mar Tshul-ṭhim-juñ-nä¹⁴³⁶), built the Sol-nag-thañ-chen; the fraternity residing there was called the Thañ-kor¹⁴³⁷);

2. Sh'añ Na-nam Dorje-vañ-chug¹⁴³⁸) built the Ra-tshag-t'ar-gyal. The fraternity of it was called the Sh'añ-kor¹⁴³⁹);

3. Dog Jañ-chub-juñ-nä¹⁴⁴⁰) built the Yer-pa-pa-rañ. The filial fraternities belonging to his spiritual descent built the S'ad-kyi-diñ-va¹⁴⁴¹), Chu-ṭul-gyin-po, Pu-de-hlo-k'oñ¹⁴⁴²), Yol-thañ, Lab-so, Dal-ma-thañ¹⁴⁴³) and Kha-rag-so-cig. Thereafter, in Tsañ they built the Sh'ui-kun-ga-ra-va¹⁴⁴⁴) and Tshal-mig¹⁴⁴⁵). In Kyi-ṣö Dog¹⁴⁴⁶) and Sum-pa Ye-ṣei-lo-dö¹⁴⁴⁷) built the Yu-go-khañ mar¹⁴⁴⁸). The spiritual descent of them is called the Dog-tsho-kor¹⁴⁴⁹).

4. Lan Ye-ṣei-ṣei-rab¹⁴⁵⁰) became the principal of Gyal-sar-gaṇ¹⁴⁵¹), of Lag-da-hla-khañ¹⁴⁵²) and of the 2 Tshal-chuñ. The filial branches of these are called the Lan-kor.

Sum-pa Ye-ṣei-lo-dö built Me-ru¹⁴⁵³) in Dö-thañ. This monastery was destroyed and there was no fraternity belonging to it.

Rag-çi built the temple of Rag-çi-ṭhā-og¹⁴⁵⁴).

Ba built the Yuñ-gur¹⁴⁵⁵), and subsequently became the principal of Lan-pa-cil-bu¹⁴⁵⁶). His pupil Mal Sem-pa-ṣei-rab¹⁴⁵⁷) built the Tö-lug-tsha-thog¹⁴⁵⁸) and thereafter assumed the principality

¹⁴³²) Dge-rgyas. ¹⁴³³) Hbrin i. e. Hbrin Ye-ṣes-yon-tan.

¹⁴³⁴) Zañs-khañ. ¹⁴³⁵) La-mo-chag-deḥu.

¹⁴³⁶) Gru-mar Tshul-khrims-hbyuñ-gnas. ¹⁴³⁷) Thañ-skor.

¹⁴³⁸) Sna-nam Rdo-rje-dbañ-phyug. ¹⁴³⁹) Žañ-skor.

¹⁴⁴⁰) Rdog Byañ-chub-hbyuñ-gnas. ¹⁴⁴¹) Gzad-kyi-ldiñ-ba.

¹⁴⁴²) Spu-sde-lho-goñ. ¹⁴⁴³) Gral-ma-thañ.

¹⁴⁴⁴) Gžuhñ-kun-dgañ-ra-ba. ¹⁴⁴⁵) Htshal-mig.

¹⁴⁴⁶) I. e. Rdog Byañ-chub-hbyuñ-gnas.

¹⁴⁴⁷) Sum-pa Ye-ṣes-blo-gros.

¹⁴⁴⁸) Gyu-sgo-khañ-dmar. ¹⁴⁴⁹) Rdog-tsho-skor.

¹⁴⁵⁰) Glan Ye-ṣes-ṣes-rab. ¹⁴⁵¹) Rgyal-gsar-gsañ.

¹⁴⁵²) Glag-mdañ-lha-khañ. ¹⁴⁵³) Rme-ru.

¹⁴⁵⁴) Rag-çi-hphrad-ḥog. ¹⁴⁵⁵) Yuñs-hgur.

¹⁴⁵⁶) Lan-pa-spyil-bu. ¹⁴⁵⁷) Mal Sems-pa-ṣes-rab.

¹⁴⁵⁸) Stod-lugs-tsha-thog.

in the temple of Thag-ma and Mön-ḍa¹⁴⁵⁹). His spiritual descent is called Ba-tsho.

The younger Ba built the temple of Gye-re-tshar-nai-da-ḍoñ¹⁴⁶⁰) and subsequently became the principal of Sh'oi-che-khañ¹⁴⁶¹) [149 a.].

Rag-çi then became the principal of Ka-tshal-t'ar-sh'a and the fraternity founded there and descending from him is called the Rag-tsho.

The younger Rag-çi assumed the principality of Ge-gyā¹⁴⁶²). His pupil Tha-sh'i-gyal-phag¹⁴⁶³) likewise maintained the rule there. His pupil Sh'añ-tsun-ṣei-rab-phag¹⁴⁶⁴) built the Ta-dē of Lan-pa. The fraternity thus founded is called "the spiritual line of Rag-çi the junior".

Dīn built the Nan-lam-ci-mo¹⁴⁶⁵) and after that maintained the principality of Kar-chuñ and, subsequently, of Ne-thañ-ḍag-na¹⁴⁶⁶). In the interspace between these two he built the Ḍaṇ Ra-mo-che. The fraternity founded in the latter monastery was called the "Lower Community of Dīn"¹⁴⁶⁷). That residing at Nan-lam-pa is known as the higher (or upper) fraternity of Dīn¹⁴⁶⁸), and that of Lu-goñ is "the intermediate fraternity of Dīn".

Lo-tön Dorje-vañ-chug of Tsañ built the Gyan-k'oñ¹⁴⁶⁹). He had 24 pupils.

Gya Čākya-sh'on-nu¹⁴⁷⁰) built the La-tö-mar-la-thañ¹⁴⁷¹); it was divided into the middle section of K'ul-tog-hla-khañ¹⁴⁷²) in the centre, and the others which are known by the name Gya-tsho.

Kyo Ṣei-rab-dorje¹⁴⁷³) built the T'on-mo-ri. The "upper section" (of the fraternity there) is founded by him.

Tag-lo-sh'ön-tsön¹⁴⁷⁴) built the temple of Tag-lo, and the fraternities that represent his spiritual descent are known as the Tag-tsho.

A-me Sh'u-cig-ma maintained the principality of Thañ¹⁴⁷⁵) and Dag-mar¹⁴⁷⁶). The fraternities founded by him are the Sh'u-tsho.

¹⁴⁵⁹) Mon-gra. ¹⁴⁶⁰) Gye-re-mtshar-snañi-mdañ-groñ-lha-khañ.

¹⁴⁶¹) Gžohi-hchad-khañ. ¹⁴⁶²) Dge-rgyas.

¹⁴⁶³) Mthañ-bži-rgyal-hphags. ¹⁴⁶⁴) Žañ-btsun-ṣes-rab-hphags.

¹⁴⁶⁵) Nan-lam-spyi-mo. ¹⁴⁶⁶) Sñe-thañ-brag-sna.

¹⁴⁶⁷) Hbrin-tsho-smad-pa. ¹⁴⁶⁸) Hbrin-tsho-stod-pa.

¹⁴⁶⁹) Rgyan-goñ. ¹⁴⁷⁰) Rgya Čākya-gžon-nu.

¹⁴⁷¹) La-stod-mar-la-thañ. ¹⁴⁷²) Gul-rtog-lha-khañ.

¹⁴⁷³) Skyo Ṣes-rab-rdo-rje. ¹⁴⁷⁴) Stag-lo Gžon-brtson.

¹⁴⁷⁵) Hphrañ. ¹⁴⁷⁶) Brag-dmar.

Dar¹⁴⁷⁷) Čākya-yon-tan maintained the principality of S'ü-po¹⁴⁷⁸). His spiritual descent is the Dar-tsho.

Li Lo-dö-sh'on-nu¹⁴⁷⁹) built the Jo-mo and his spiritual descent is called the Li-tsho.

In the 5 divisions of Mä¹⁴⁸⁰) and the Gyan-k'on-mai-kor¹⁴⁸¹), Lag Jan-chub-gyal-tshen^{1481a}) built the Chu-mig and the fraternity founded there is the Lag-tsho.

Chag Mi-ga Čei-rab la-ma built the Ėnem¹⁴⁸²), and Nog Ye-čei-juñ-nä¹⁴⁸³) built the Pañ-kar-hla-luñ¹⁴⁸⁴). These two have no spiritual descent. [149 b.]

Lañ-tsün-jam-pa¹⁴⁸⁵) built the Khom-phug and subsequently maintained the principality of Tsañ-čam¹⁴⁸⁶). After that, in Phum-thañ, Chag-sa, Dri-gog, Ma-gö, Tön-řhöl-ma¹⁴⁸⁷) etc. the Upper¹⁴⁸⁸) and the Lower¹⁴⁸⁹) Lañ-tsho were located.

Go-va Ye-čei-yuñ-druñ¹⁴⁹⁰) maintained the principality of Bre-lha-khañ¹⁴⁹¹). His pupil Ce-tsün Čei-rab-juñ-nä¹⁴⁹²) built the Sh'a-lu-ma and then went to India where he took the vows again. Whilst he was travelling, Go-va-yuñ-druñ maintained the principality of Sh'a-lu. Here there were 4 primary and 6 secondary sections. The spiritual descent is called "the division of the 100 of Sh'a-lu"¹⁴⁹³).

Gyi Ye-čei-vañ-po¹⁴⁹⁴) built the Khar-luñ¹⁴⁹⁵) of Čaň, subsequently — Gya-re-lañ-ra¹⁴⁹⁶) and on the way between them — Ro-kam of Mu-čañ¹⁴⁹⁷). The fraternity of Lañ-la is called Lañ-ra-kor. The sections belonging to the Tsug-gi U-luñ bear the name of the U-tsho. Both are spoken of as the "lower Gyi-tsho. From Lañ-ra the principality was maintained over the řhi-chad-gön-pa¹⁴⁹⁸).

Thereafter the pupil of A-me, Sh'añ-tön-tshul-phag¹⁴⁹⁹) go-

¹⁴⁷⁷) Ĥdar. ¹⁴⁷⁸) Gzus-po. ¹⁴⁷⁹) Li Blo-gros-gžon-nu.

¹⁴⁸⁰) Smad-kyi lña-la. ¹⁴⁸¹) Rgyan-goñ-mahi skor.

^{1481a}) Glag Byañ-chub-rgyal-mtshan. ¹⁴⁸²) Sñems.

¹⁴⁸³) Rñog Ye-čes-řbyuñ-gnas.

¹⁴⁸⁴) Spañ-dkar-lha-luñ. ¹⁴⁸⁵) Glañ-btsun-byams-pa.

¹⁴⁸⁶) Gtsañ-řgram. ¹⁴⁸⁷) Ston-khrol-ma. ¹⁴⁸⁸) Stod.

¹⁴⁸⁹) Smad. ¹⁴⁹⁰) Mgo-ba Ye-čes-gyuñ-druñ.

¹⁴⁹¹) Sbre-lha-khañ. ¹⁴⁹²) Lce-btsun Čes-rab-řbyuñ-gnas.

¹⁴⁹³) řa-lu-brgya-skor. ¹⁴⁹⁴) Gyi Ye-čes-dbañ-po.

¹⁴⁹⁵) Mkhar-lun. ¹⁴⁹⁶) Gya-re-glañ-ra.

¹⁴⁹⁷) Mu-čañs-kyi Ro-skams.

¹⁴⁹⁸) Ĥkhris-kyi-řchad-dgon-pa. ¹⁴⁹⁹) řaň-ston-tshul-řphags.

verned the C'a-gyā¹⁵⁰⁰). Another pupil of A-me, Coñ-po Thar-pa-rin-chen had 4 pupils. — S'u-tön-phan-ř'ag occupied the principality of Ĥei-ce-tsham¹⁵⁰¹) and Gyan-khar-tag-luñ¹⁵⁰²). The communities belonging to these are called the S'u-tsho. Ce-tsün-kar-po¹⁵⁰³) governed the Añ-yig and Yuñ-tön-dza-ka-ris-pa ruled over Or. The fraternities founded by him became united with the A-mei-kor. Therefore there is no separate spiritual descent (from this teacher).

Čab-tse¹⁵⁰⁴) founded the Čab-tse-lha-khañ; the community thereof is called the Koñ-tsho and another section is styled the Kyi-tsho.

A-me, from the Kha-che-gön-pa¹⁵⁰⁵) ruled over the Se-kyil-ter. Of the higher section of it there were 3 filial branches called the Ŗn-pa-sh'añ.

řhi-tön-tsön-bar¹⁵⁰⁶) maintained the principality of Čoñ-na-ra. The section belonging to it is the řhi-tsho [150 a.] Sa -be-tsün-chuñ maintained the rule of řan-chuñ, and his spiritual descent is styled the řan-chuñ-kor.

Gya-tön Āryadeva maintained the Go-ru-du-na¹⁵⁰⁷), and his descent is called the Gya-tsho.

The abbot Sh'on-nu Čākya maintained the Sa-phug, and his descent bears the name of Sa-tsho. The upper section of it had 4 divisions which were known as "the upper Kyi-tsho".

The spiritual son of A-me, Pañ¹⁵⁰⁸) maintained the řhi-kyañ, and Sh'añ-tsün-sö-nam-řag held the rule of the C'a-gyā. These 2 are spoken of as the intermediate Kyi-tsho.

The disciple descending from the higher Kyi-tsho, Sh'on-nu-juñ-nä maintained the Gyan-khar-thur-la¹⁵⁰⁹). The monastic division belonging to it is known as the řhur-tsho.

Kyi-tsun Pal-gyi-ye-čei¹⁵¹⁰) occupied the principality of the řuñ-kün-ga-ra-ba¹⁵¹¹). The fraternity of it is a filial branch of the higher Kyi-tsho.

The řhoñ-tsho had 9 secondary divisions¹⁵¹²). In the higher řhoñ-tsho there were the 2 sections of Kal-kor¹⁵¹³) and Gyan-kor.

¹⁵⁰⁰) Bya-rgyas. ¹⁵⁰¹) Sgreři Ice řtshams.

¹⁵⁰²) Rgyan-mkhar-stag-luñ. ¹⁵⁰³) Lce-btsun-dkar-po.

¹⁵⁰⁴) Čab-rtse. ¹⁵⁰⁵) Kha-chad-dgon-pa.

¹⁵⁰⁶) Khri-ston-brtson-řbar. ¹⁵⁰⁷) Sgo-ru-du-sna. ¹⁵⁰⁸) Spañ.

¹⁵⁰⁹) Rgyan-mkhar-thur-la. ¹⁵¹⁰) Kyi-btsun řpal-gyi-ye-čes.

¹⁵¹¹) řbruñ-kun-dgař-ra-ba. ¹⁵¹²) řhral-tsho. ¹⁵¹³) Skal-skor.

In the intermediate Tshon-tsho there were likewise 2, viz. the Nā-sar¹⁵¹⁴) and Nā-niñ¹⁵¹⁵). The lower section had 5 sub-divisions.

At the time when Tshon-tsün was maintaining the Tsii-kyi-yañ-ben¹⁵¹⁶), A-me entrusted to him the Tsii-hla-khañ which was subsequently conferred to Ba-tsün Lo-t'ö yon-tan. After the latter had become principal, the section ruled by him was called the Ba-tsho. His pupil Yol-chö-vañ maintained the Kye-nä-niñ¹⁵¹⁷). The section belonging to it was called the upper Ba-tsho.

Yol-thog-beb¹⁵¹⁸) maintained the Cañ-ra. Tag-pa-jo-btsun held the principality of the Ce-pe¹⁵¹⁹). These 2 represent the intermediate Ba-tsho.

The section located in Tsii is known as the lower section of Ba. Thereafter the Nān-tsho was entrusted to A-me and, subsequently, to his pupils Rva Lo-dö-s'añ-po and to Kham-pa. Rva occupied the Nur-mig¹⁵²⁰), and Kham-pa — the Cag-khar¹⁵²¹). The sections founded by them are called the Rva-tsho and the Kham-tsho, [150 b.] and both were known as the Nān-tsho-kor.

The Tag-tshal-gyi-c'a-chö-khar-po-che¹⁵²²) was likewise given to A-me and subsequently entrusted by the latter to his pupil Gya-gyal-bu-tshul-señ¹⁵²³). Gya was entrusted to Koñ-po-ye-juñ¹⁵²⁴) of Gyä. Koñ-po maintained both the Mui nä-mo-che¹⁵²⁵) and the Ja-chö¹⁵²⁶) and founded the Gyä-t'a-thañ. These divisions are called the Ja-chö-kor.

Thereafter the Yön-dag-mo-ñö-mö-mön-dö in Mar-çul was given over to A-me and entrusted by him to his pupil Mar-pa Dorje-ye-çei and by the latter to his own pupil Ne-po Dag-pa-gyal-tshen¹⁵²⁷) who maintained the principality of Roñ-khar-phug. Subsequently, A-me founded the Kyag-tsham-tag-tshal-kyü-thañ and gave it to Mar-pa who in his turn built the Than-ma-gañ-po. With the Lag-doi as a fourth they became known as the "4 children of Mön-dö" which bore a similarity with a mother. They were all called the Mön-dö-kor¹⁵²⁸).

Moreover, subsequently, A-me, having maintained the prin-

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| ¹⁵¹⁴) Gnas-gsar. | ¹⁵¹⁵) Gnas-rñiñ. | ¹⁵¹⁶) Rtsis-kyi-yañ-dben. |
| ¹⁵¹⁷) Skyegs-gnas-rñiñ. | ¹⁵¹⁸) Yol-thog-ñbebs. | ¹⁵¹⁹) Lce-spe. |
| ¹⁵²⁰) Nur-smrig. | ¹⁵²¹) Lcags-mkhar. | |
| ¹⁵²²) Stag-tshal-gyi-bya-chos-mkhar-po-che. | | |
| ¹⁵²³) Rgya Rgyal-bu-tshul-señ. | ¹⁵²⁴) Rgyas Kon-po-ye-ñbyuñ. | |
| ¹⁵²⁵) Dmuhi gnas-mo-che. | ¹⁵²⁶) Bya-chos. | |
| ¹⁵²⁷) Sne-po Grags-pa-rgyal-mtshan. | ¹⁵²⁸) Smon-gro-skor. | |

cipality in Ser-gyi-goñ-thog¹⁵²⁹), entrusted it to his pupil Sh'añ-pa-tshor-thö¹⁵³⁰). The latter built the Ser-gyi-dag-çö¹⁵³¹) and then maintained the Tsen-po-diñ¹⁵³²), the Tsii-kyi-yañ-ben, the Ra-sog-tshar-la, and the Tag-tshal-kar-po-che¹⁵³³). (All) these were entrusted to his pupil, Ba-ge-thon¹⁵³⁴). The latter maintained the P'a-t'o of Roñ and entrusted it to his pupil De-tsün-ñon-mo¹⁵³⁵). These sections are called the T'o-tsho.

Now, at the time when the secondary sections had assembled to hold council together, there appeared 3 inferior monks. When they were asked: — Whither has your preceptor gone? — they replied that he had died. If this be so, — (said the others), — you are living like orphans. And thencefrom they were known as T'o-tsho, — "the section of the orphans". All these divisions (taken together) are called "the 5 lower Tsoñ-tsho". The principal monastery of all the 9 Tshon-tsho was the Nö-liñ¹⁵³⁵).

Furthermore, A-sh'a Ye-çei-yuñ-druñ, the son of A-sh'a Go-vo-che¹⁵³⁶), [151 a.] who had the wish of going to Kham in order to become a monk, arrived at Lhasa. And, on the lower part of a staircase leading to the upper storey of one of the buildings of Lhasa (he saw) the form of Çri-Mahākāla that was painted there. When (A-sh'a) ascended, it was only a picture (that was before him), but when he descended, Mahākāla appeared directly (before him), holding a skull containing a human head mixed with blood which he was eating with a spoon made of a human rib. To him (A-sh'a) addressed his entreaty, and (Mahākāla) said: — I will be the protector of thy Doctrine. — Therefore, during a month, thou must circumambulate me. — This is the reason why the A-tsho (the section founded by A-sh'a) is so powerful.

Thereafter A-sh'a went to the school of Kham and prayed Te-vo-chog-la¹⁵³⁷), the pupil of the Great Lama (Goñ-pa-rab-sal) to grant him the favour (of ordaining him). The teacher said: — I shall make the offering of water and then come! But, as the teacher died suddenly without having granted his favour, A-sh'a was considered to have received the consecration by the mere

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| ¹⁵²⁹) Ser-gyi-sgoñ-khrog. | |
| ¹⁵³⁰) Žañ-pa-tshor-khrod. | ¹⁵³¹) Ser-gyi-brag-çod. |
| ¹⁵³²) Btsan-po-sdiñs. | ¹⁵³³) Stag-tshal-mkhar-po-che. |
| ¹⁵³⁴) Rba Dge-mthoñ. | ¹⁵³⁵) Bra-btsun-ñon-mo. |
| ¹⁵³⁶) Sño-gliñ. | ¹⁵³⁷) Ħa-ža-mgo-bo-che. |
| ¹⁵³⁸) Kre-bo-mchog-bla. | |

words "I will make the offering of water and then come". He is accordingly known as "the novice of the water-offering". After he had been made principal, he maintained the Na-nam-dre-dä¹⁵³⁸), and subsequently, the U-yug-dai-ra-ça¹⁵³⁹), as well as the Tag-gi-nä-mo-che¹⁵⁴⁰) situated between the former two. His pupil, Çeu-te-nam-pa maintained the Lhan-gyi-so-thaṅ, and subsequently the Khor-re-kya-gaṅ¹⁵⁴¹), the Ṇaṅ-ro-p'ü-do¹⁵⁴²), the Khor-re-p'a-khor, and the Lhan-gyi-dro-çon in gradual succession. His pupil, Sog Tshul-ṭhim maintained the Bo-tsho-thaṅ and had himself a pupil Paṅ Dul-dzin¹⁵⁴³) who maintained the Tag-gi-pen-can¹⁵⁴⁴). The pupil of this one Nub Rin-chen-dag¹⁵⁴⁵) occupied the principality of Khu-luṅ-lha-t'al and, from Ra-ça, ruled over U-yug-sal-gaṅ. All these (monastic divisions) were called the A-tsho.

Moreover, De-sh'on-tshul went to Kham in the purpose of taking orders. [151 b.] Having met with Ya-s'i-p'ön-tön¹⁵⁴⁶), the pupil of the Great Lama, in the Ṭhi-kha-khar-ma of Kham, he prayed him to grant his favour. (P'ön-tön) said: — Be it so, — but died before the vows were made and accepted. De in his turn declared: — I have been ordained, since the disciple (of the Great Lama) has said: — Be it so. — Accordingly, he was known as the one who was ordained by (the words) "Be it so". He maintained the Ja-tshaṅ of Ta-nag-phu¹⁵⁴⁷), and, subsequently the Ja-phug of Çañ¹⁵⁴⁸). We have 8 monasteries representing the filials of Ja Tshaṅ. This division is called the De-tsho.

In such a manner the 10 men started their propagation (of the Doctrine). However, as Sum-pa of Ü and the 2 brothers Ö-gye left no descent, (the new founders) are known as "the Six Men". A-sh'a and De are not included in their number.

Some say that the disciple of the teacher Bodhisattva was Ratna of Ba, that the latter ordained Hla-luṅ Rab-jor-yaṅ¹⁵⁴⁹), that this one in his turn ordained the Great Lama Goṅ-pa-rab-sal, whose disciple was Ye-k'oṅ Ye-çei-yuṅ-druṅ¹⁵⁵⁰). The latter is said to have ordained Dum Ye-çei-gyal-tshen, and this one — Lu-mē and the rest.

¹⁵³⁸) Sna-nam-ḥdre-brdas. ¹⁵³⁹) Hu-yug-mdahī-ra-ça.
¹⁵⁴⁰) Stag-gi-gnas-mo-che. ¹⁵⁴¹) Hkhor-re-skyas-gaṅ.
¹⁵⁴²) Ṇaṅ-ro-bud-mdo. ¹⁵⁴³) Spaṅ-Ḥdul-ḥdzin.
¹⁵⁴⁴) Stag-gi-span-can. ¹⁵⁴⁵) Snubs Rin-chen-grags. ¹⁵⁴⁶) Ya-zi-bon-ston.
¹⁵⁴⁷) Rta-nag-phuḥi Bya-tshaṅ. ¹⁵⁴⁸) Çañs-kyi bya-phug.
¹⁵⁴⁹) Lha-luṅ Rab-ḥbyor-dbyaṅ. ¹⁵⁵⁰) Ye-goṅ Ye-çes-gyuṅ-druṅ.

In a certain testament it is to be read that Ratna of Ba (was ordained), the Ācārya Bodhisattva having become his principal, and Dānaçīla and Jinamitra — his teachers. Ba ordained Yo-ge, the latter — Goṅ-pa-sal, this one — Mañjuçri of Do¹⁵⁵¹), this one — Dum Ye-çei-gyal-tshen, and the latter — Lu-mē.

Rig-ral says that the 10 men of Ü and Tsaṅ were ordained by Dum, the disciple of the Great Lama. This requires proof. Moreover, some are of the opinion that Yo and the rest belong to the spiritual descent of Jinamitra. Others in their turn affirm that this genealogy is to be counted from Çāntirakṣita. This must likewise be scrutinized.

Thus, 70 years after the Church had ceased to exist in Ü and Tsaṅ, it was again introduced there by the 10 men of these provinces. [152 a.] At the time when the 10 arrived at Ü, an old woman said: — When I was 6 years of age, I last saw a monk. — And how old art thou now? — asked they. — Seventy-six, was the answer. So runs the tradition. Some say that (from the time of the persecution up to that of the restoration) 108 years had elapsed.

Rig-ral affirms the following: — From the time of the 6 men and up to the coming of Ratnabhadra¹⁵⁵²) there was no study and preaching of the Doctrine, and there existed only a resemblance of the latter. Then, after the king had become alms-giver, the Lotsavas and Paṇḍits translated the kanonical works. This is the intermediate period of the spread of the Doctrine. Thereupon, without the assistance of the king, Nog and others have made their translations. This time is to be regarded as that of the latest propagation of the teaching.

This is not correct. (Rig-ral) himself admits that (from the time of the ten) the vows of monkhood were perfectly pure. The statement that there was only a resemblance of the Doctrine is therefore contradictory. (Rig-ral) affirms this saying: "Since there was no study and preaching". This is likewise incorrect. Indeed, the Vinaya with the necessary instructions had been exposed by the Paṇḍit Jinamitra to the translator Lui-gyal-tshen, to Yo-ge-juṅ etc., by the latter to the Great Lama, by him to Dum, by this one — to Lu-me, and by the latter — to S'ü Dorje-gyal-tshen. This one had 4 pupils: — Lan tshul-jaṅ¹⁵⁵³), Ka-chu-pa Tshul-juṅ¹⁵⁵⁴), Ne-po Dag-gyal¹⁵⁵⁵), Jim-pa-çar-ö¹⁵⁵⁶). The pupil of Ne-

¹⁵⁵¹) Sgro. ¹⁵⁵²) Rin-bzaṅ i. e. Rin-chen-bzaṅ-po.
¹⁵⁵³) Klan-tshul-byaṅ. ¹⁵⁵⁴) Tshul-ḥbyuṅ.
¹⁵⁵⁵) Sne-po Grags-rgyal. ¹⁵⁵⁶) Hjims-pa-çar-ḥod.

po was Sog Tshul-ṭhim-la-ma, the pupil of Ka-chu-pa was Nān-tsham¹⁵⁵⁷) Rin-chen-la-ma, and pupil of Jim-pa — Ko-Khyim-pa Ye-ṣei-la-ma. The exposition of the Vinaya with the necessary instructions was conducted by these 3 and delivered to Gya Dul-dzin Vañ-chug-tshul-ṭhim, to his pupil Ma-tsho Jañ-dor, to Ja Dul-dzin¹⁵⁵⁸), to Kyi-po Tshul-phag, and up to Ḥa-mi and the rest. Moreover the teaching of the Abhidharma had been uninterruptedly conducted by Jinamitra, by Ka¹⁵⁵⁹), Cog¹⁵⁶⁰), and Sh'añ, by Nam-nañ-da-vai-dorje¹⁵⁶¹), Pal-gyi-dorje, by Gyal-ba-ye-ṣei of Ba, by Chog-gi-ye-ṣei of Cog-ḍu¹⁵⁶²), [152 b.], Se-tsün Sh'ön-nu¹⁵⁶³), Gar-mi Yon-tan-yuñ-druñ, Khu-tön Ḥei-rab-tsön-ḍü¹⁵⁶⁴), Rva-ṭhi S'añ-bar¹⁵⁶⁵), Gya Gyal-bu-tshul-le¹⁵⁶⁶), Ḍañ-ti^{1566a}) Dar-ma-ñiñ-po, to his pupils, Ban and Rog etc.

The discrimination (made by Rig-ral) between an intermediate and a later propagation of the Doctrine is likewise false. There was no "intermediate" propagation at all, since there occurred no interruption. The earlier and the later propagation are regarded as 2 different periods, with the view that the Doctrine, having been rooted out by Lañ-dar-ma, had, for a certain number of years, ceased to exist in Ü and Tsañ. The Pañḍit Tsañ-nag-pa likewise says that there was "the later period of propagation" (without counting an intermediate one). In such a way, the fire of the Doctrine, having begun in lower Tibet, spread and expounded through Nā-ri. The king Khor-de entrusted the kingdom to his younger brother Sroñ-de and himself took orders, having adopted the religious name of Ye-ṣei-ö¹⁵⁶⁷). He acknowledged the Vehicle of Philosophy¹⁵⁶⁸) to be the Word of the Buddha, but as concerns the Tantras, he was in doubt as to their being the true teaching, since the tantric exorcists indulged in perverse acts, as that of deliverance through sexual extasy, etc. Accordingly, he selected 21 young men, Rin-chen-s'añ-po and others and sent them to India in order to study the Doctrine. But, with the exception of

¹⁵⁵⁷) Nān-mtshams. ¹⁵⁶⁶) Bya Ḥdul-ḥdzin.

¹⁵⁵⁹) Ska i. e. Ska-pa Dpal-brtsegs.

¹⁵⁶⁰) I. e. Cog-ro Kluñi-rgyal-mtshan.

¹⁵⁶¹) Nam-nañ Zla-baḥi-rdo-rje.

¹⁵⁶²) Cog-gru Mchog-gi-ye-ṣes. ¹⁵⁶³) Se-btsun-gžon-nu.

¹⁵⁶⁴) Khu-ston Ḥes-rab-brtson-hgrus.

¹⁵⁶⁵) Rva-khri Bzañ-hbar. ¹⁵⁶⁶) Rgya Rgyal-bu-tshul-le.

^{1566a}) Brañ-ti. ¹⁵⁶⁷) Ye-ṣes-ḥod. ¹⁵⁶⁸) *utshan-ñid-theḡ-pa*.

Rin-chen-s'añ-po and Leg-pai-ṣei-rab, they died without having achieved their study. Rin-chen-s'añ-po became profoundly versed in all the branches of Tantra and philosophy and, having invited the Pañḍits Ḥraddhākaravarman, Padmākaragupta, Buddhaḥri-ṣānta, Buddhapāla, Kamalagupta, and others, achieved the translation of the philosophical part of the Kanon and of the 4 divisions of Tantra. In particular, many texts of the Yogatantra, the Guhyasamāja etc. were translated and the Tantric parts of Scripture revised. [153 a.]

Gyal-vai-ṣei-rab of Sh'añ-sh'uñ, having invited the Pañḍits Dharmapāla and Prajñāpāla, took orders and then, having gone to Nepal, studied the practical Vinaya with Pretaka. His pupils Pal-jor, Jañ-chub-señ-ge of Sh'iñ-mo-che, and others, in gradual succession, propagated the teaching of the Higher Vinaya. The Princely Teacher (Ye-ṣei-ö) built the monastery of Sh'añ-sh'uñ-tho-liñ and became the householder of numerous Lotsavas and Pañḍits. The son of his younger brother Sroñ-de called La-de invited the Pañḍit Subhāṣita. This king had 3 sons, — Ö-de¹⁵⁶⁹), the lay prince Sh'i-va-ö and the ecclesiastic Jañ-chub-ö. Of these three, the latter gave gold to 5 men, Nag-tsho Tshul-gyal etc. and ordered them to select the translator Gya Tson-ḍü-señ-ge¹⁵⁷⁰) as their chief, and to invite a good Pañḍit. Accordingly, they invited Dipaṃkaraḥriñāna¹⁵⁷¹) who was the son of Kalyāṇaḥri the king of Bengal, and who had received a brilliant education at the monastery of Vikramaḥila¹⁵⁷²). (Dipaṃkaraḥriñāna) accordingly accepted their invitation and came, since he had obtained a corresponding prophecy from Tārā. On the way Gya Tson-ḍü-señ-ge died and they arrived, having appointed Nag-tsho to be interpreter. When they came to the sleeping chamber of the great translator Rin-chen-s'añ-po, the latter first made his salutation, and then the Pañḍit addressed a hymn of praise to each of the images of the Tantric deities that were in the translator's room. The great translator was delighted, and they held together many discussions on religious questions. (The translator) again made his salutations and prayed to expound the Doctrine. After that they made numerous translations, and especially put in order the

¹⁵⁶⁹) Hod-lde. ¹⁵⁷⁰) Rgya Brtson-hgrus-señ-ge.

¹⁵⁷¹) Usually known as Jo-vo-rje "the Great Master" or Atiḥa.

¹⁵⁷²) The Xyl. has Bri-ka-ma-la-ḥi-la (sic!)

texts of the Yoga-tantra in accordance with the explanations of Ānandagarbha and added numerous instructions to them.

By the by the Great Master (Dīpaṃkaraçrījñāna) [153 b.] went to Ü and delivered numerous instructions to his pupils Khu, Nog, and Dom¹⁵⁷³). In particular, he delivered to Dom the precepts of the Ka-dam-pa¹⁵⁷⁴) which thenceforth became expounded. The Great Translator Rin-chen-s'añ-po subdued the Nāga Kar-gyal and refuted the false exorcists by means of the Doctrine. Tradition says that he secured the proximate factors of Deliverance and passed away to heaven in his bodily form¹⁵⁷⁵). His assistant Ḍag-jor-çei-rab translated the works of the cycles of Çamvara and Varāhi, logical treatises, etc. and likewise passed away to heaven in his bodily form. The inferior translator Bar-chö-s'añ, after having translated the so-called "Six texts of the Lotsavas" (?)¹⁵⁷⁶), departed to the 5 mountains.

The translators who had first been with the Great Master and, moreover, Çākya-prabha, Yöl-cog Dorje-vañ-chug, Ge-vai-lo-dö translated and revised a great number of works. The prince Sh'i-va-ö in his turn translated the *Çrīparamādīṭikā*¹⁵⁷⁷), the logical work of Çāntirakṣita¹⁵⁷⁸) etc.

At the time of the princely teacher Ye-çei-ö 2 Paṇḍits, Smṛti and Sūkṣmadirgha¹⁵⁷⁹) came, having been invited by the Nepalese Padmaruci. But as the translator had died in Nepal of cholera, the 2 Paṇḍits who did not know the Tibetan language, roamed about in Ü and Tsañ, and Smṛti was forced to become a shepherd in Ta-nag. Subsequently Cal-se-tsab Sö-nam-gyal-tshen¹⁵⁸⁰) invited him to Man-luñ¹⁵⁸¹) and studied the Doctrine with him. Thereafter, having gone to Kham, (Smṛti) established the school of the Abhidharmakoça at Dan-loñ-thañ¹⁵⁸²). Subsequently, having become proficient in Tibetan, he made numerous translations of his own works, as the *Catuhpīṭha-ṭikā*¹⁵⁸³), the cycle of *Mañjuçrī-*

¹⁵⁷³) I. e. Khu-ton (Khu-ston) Çei-rab-tson-dü (Çes-rab-brtson-hgrus). Nog (Rñog) Lo-dan-çei-rab (Blo-Idan-çes-rab) and Dom (Hbrom)-tön.

¹⁵⁷⁴) Bkaḥ-gdams-pa. ¹⁵⁷⁵) mkhaḥ-spyod-du-gsegs.

¹⁵⁷⁶) Lo-tsañi-chos-drug.

¹⁵⁷⁷) Dpal-mchog. Tg. RGYUD. LIV. 57—297, LV and LVI. 1—227.

¹⁵⁷⁸) Ži-ba-htshoñi tshad-ma. This is Çāntirakṣita's Tattvasaṃgraha, Tg. MDO. CXIII. 1—159. ¹⁵⁷⁹) Phra-la-riñ-ba.

¹⁵⁸⁰) Dpyal-se-rtasab Bsod-nams-rgyal-mtshan.

¹⁵⁸¹) Sman-luñs. ¹⁵⁸²) Hdan-kloñ-thañ.

¹⁵⁸³) Tg. RGYUD. XXIII. 1—89.

*guhyāpanna*¹⁵⁸⁴), the *Mantra-artha-vipaçyini*¹⁵⁸⁵), and many others. [154 a.] Subsequently, he went to Li-chu-ser-khab and composed there the *Vacanamukha*¹⁵⁸⁶). The Paṇḍit Sūkṣmadirgha became the curator of Roñ-pa Chö-s'añ and Roñ-pa came to the knowledge of numerous kanonical texts.

The king Ö-de invited Sunayaçrī¹⁵⁸⁷).

His son Tse -de invited the Kashmirian Jñānaçrī and, Khyañ-po Chö-tsön¹⁵⁸⁸) having been appointed as interprete, the *Vajra-çikhara-tantra*¹⁵⁸⁹), the Ācāra-tantras, the *Pramāṇa-viniçcaya*^{1589a}) and the Commentary thereon, composed by Jñānaçrī himself¹⁵⁹⁰), were translated.

Moreover Candrarāhula having been invited, the Lotsava Tiñ-ñe-dzin-s'añ-po¹⁵⁹¹) carried out the translation of the *Pramāṇa-samuccaya*¹⁵⁹²) and other works.

Nog Lo-dan (çei-rab) was sent by Tse-de to Kashmir, studied Logic with Parahitabhadra¹⁵⁹³) and Bhavyarāja¹⁵⁹⁴), and the treatises of Maitreya with the Brāhmaṇa Sajjana¹⁵⁹⁵), Amaragomin¹⁵⁹⁶), and others. After Vañ-de¹⁵⁹⁷) had become alms-giver, he (Nog Lo-dan-çei-rab) translated the *Pramāṇavārtika-alamkāra*¹⁵⁹⁸) etc.

¹⁵⁸⁴) Tg. RGYUD. LX. 127—178. — Ārya-Mañjuçrī-nāma-saṃgīti-guhyāpanna-upāyika-vṛtti Jñāna-dīpa (Hphags-pa Hjam-dpal-gyi mtshan yañ-dag-par-brjod-paḥi gsañ-ba-dañ-ldan-paḥi sgrub-paḥi thabs-kyi hgral-pa Ye-çes-gsal-ba), and Tg. RGYUD. LXI. 38—41. — Guhya-āpanna-upāyika-sūtra-vidhi (Sgrub-thabs gsañ-ba-dañ-ldan-paḥi thig-gi-cho-ga).

¹⁵⁸⁵) Snags-don-rnam-gzigs. ¹⁵⁸⁶) Smra-sgo. Tg. MDO. CXVI.

¹⁵⁸⁷) The Xyl. has here and furtheron Sunyaçrī. ¹⁵⁸⁸) Chos-brtson.

¹⁵⁸⁹) Rdo-rje-rtse-mo. In the Kg. RGYUD. VIII we have the Vajra-çikhara-mahā-guhyā-yoga-tantra, Karmavajra and Sh'on-nu-tshul-ñhim (Gžon-nu-tshul-khrims) being indicated as translators.

^{1589a}) Tg. MDO. XCV. 250—329. (Pek.) The Tangyur text is a translation made by Nog Lo-dan-çei-rab with the assistance of the Paṇḍit Parahitabhadra.

¹⁵⁹⁰) Tg. MDO. CX. 209—355. (Pek.) Translators the same as indicated by Bu-ton.

¹⁵⁹¹) Tiñ-ñe-ñdzin-bzañ-po.

¹⁵⁹²) The Tangyur text of the Pramāṇasamuccaya is a translation made by the Paṇḍit Kanakavarman and the Lotsava Dad-paḥi-çes-rab.

¹⁵⁹³) Gžan-phan-bzañ-po. ¹⁵⁹⁴) Skal-ldan-rgyal-po.

¹⁵⁹⁵) He is the Paṇḍit who assisted in the translation of the Uttaratantra and Uttaratantra-vyākhyā.

¹⁵⁹⁶) Go-mi-ñchi-med. With the assistance of this Paṇḍit Lo-dan-çei-rab translated the Abhisamayālamkāra. ¹⁵⁹⁷) Dbañ-lde.

¹⁵⁹⁸) Tshad-ma-rgyan. Tg. MDO. XCIX and C. Translators acc. to Tg. Lo-dan-çei-rab and Bhavyarāja.

Thi Ta-çi Vañ-chug Nam-kha-tsen¹⁵⁹⁹) likewise became an alms-giver of translators and lived 17 years in Kashmir and 34 years in Tibet. The Paṇḍits Sthirapāla¹⁶⁰⁰), Atulyadāsa¹⁶⁰¹), Sumatikirti, Amaracandra, and Kumārakalaṣa¹⁶⁰²) translated a great number of texts, taught at Sañ-duñ-neu-thog and other places, and furthered the spread of the *Sūtrālaṃkāra*, the works of Dharmottara, the *Bodhicaryāvatāra* etc. The service rendered by them is of exclusive importance.

P'a-tshab Ni-ma-ḍag¹⁶⁰²) studied 23 years in Kashmir, invited the Paṇḍit Kanakavarman, and explained the works of the Mādhyamika cycle. [154 b.] His pupils were the "Four Sons of P'a-tshab" and others.

Ḍog-mi Čākya-ye-ḥei invited the Paṇḍit Gāyadhara, gave him 500 pounds of gold, and translated the *He-vajra-pañjara*¹⁶⁰³), the *Samputa*¹⁶⁰⁴) the *Rali*¹⁶⁰⁵), the *Arali*¹⁶⁰⁶), these four and other

¹⁵⁹⁹) Khri Bkra-ḥis-dbañ-phyug Nam-mkhañ-btsan.

¹⁶⁰⁰) Hbum-phrag-gsum-pa. Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 249.

¹⁶⁰¹) Gžon-nu-bum-pa. (The Xyl. has . . . hbum-pa.)

¹⁶⁰²) The Xyl. has Atulyadāsa. ¹⁶⁰²) Pa-tshab Ni-ma-grags.

¹⁶⁰³) Kyeñi rdo-rjeñi-gur. Kg. RGYUD. I. No. 10. In the Kg. the full title of this work is Ārya-dākinī-vajra-pañjara-mahā-tantra-rāja-kalpa. Translators acc. to Kg. — the same as with Bu-ton.

¹⁶⁰⁴) Samputa-nāma-mahā-tantra, Kg. RGYUD. III. No. 8. Acc. to Kg. translators — the same.

¹⁶⁰⁵) This is a division of Tantric works called by Bu-ton the Bde-mchog Ra-lihi-rgyud (Rali-Čamvara-tantras). These are: — 1. Guhya-vajra-tantra-rāja (Tg. RGYUD. IV. No. 1), 2. Guhya-sarva-cchinda-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 2), 3. Cakra-saṃvara-guhya-acintya-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 3), 4. Khasama-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 4), 5. Mahā-khasama-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 5), 6. Ratna-mālā-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 7), 7. Mahā-samaya-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 8), 8. Mahā-bala-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 9), 9. Jñāna-guhya-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 10), 10. Jñāna-mālā-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 11), 11. Candra-mālā-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 13), 12. Ratna-jvāla-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 14), 13. Sūrya-cakra-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 15), 14. Jñāna-rāja-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 16), 15. Vajra-dāka-guhya-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 17), 16. Jvalāgni-guhya-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 18), 16. Amṛta-guhya-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 19), 17. Čmaṣāna-alaṃkāra-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 20), 18. Vajra-rāja-mahā-tantra (Ibid. No. 21), 19. Jñāna-āḥaya-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 22), 20. Rāga-rāja-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 23), 21. Dākinī-saṃvara-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 24), 22. Dākinī-guhya-jvāla-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 25), 23. Vajra-bhairava-vidāraṇa-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 26), 24. Agni-mālā-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 27), 25. Vajra-siddha-jāla-saṃvara-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 28), 26. Mahābala-jñāna-rāja-tantra-rāja (Ibid. No. 29), and 27. Cakra-saṃvara-tantra-rāja Adbhuta-čmaṣāna-alaṃkāra (Ibid. No. 30).

¹⁶⁰⁶) In the Kg. RGYUD. IV we have: Vajra-arali-mahā-tantra-rāja (No 37), and Rīgy-arali-tantra-rāja (Nr. 38). Translators acc. to Kg. — the same.

Cycles of Propitiation¹⁶⁰⁷) belonging to the Mother-Tantras¹⁶⁰⁸) with the supplementary instructions to them.

Hlā-tsa¹⁶⁰⁹) of Gö-khug¹⁶¹⁰) went to India 3 times and studied the Doctrine with 72 Paṇḍits who had attained the mystical powers. In particular he took recourse to the aid of Čāntibhadra, Rāhulabhadra etc., and translated the works on the Guhyasamāja belonging to the school of Nāgārjuna¹⁶¹¹), works belonging to the cycle of Čamvara¹⁶¹²), Vajradāka¹⁶¹³), Catuḥpīṭha¹⁶¹⁴), Mahāmāyā¹⁶¹⁵), Hevajra^{1615a}) etc.

Gyi-co Da-vai-ö-s'er¹⁶¹⁶) translated the *Kāla-cakra* [-garbha]¹⁶¹⁷),

¹⁶⁰⁷) Sgrub-skor.

¹⁶⁰⁸) Ma-rgyud. ¹⁶⁰⁹) Lhas-btsas.

¹⁶¹⁰) Hgos-khug. Cf. Cordier, Index I. p. 99. — du monastère de Hgos et de la tribu Khug (originaire du district de Rta-nag, province du Gtsaṃ inférieur).

¹⁶¹¹) Gsañ-hdus-ñphags-skor. Tg. RGYUD. XVII—XXXII.

¹⁶¹²) Kg. RGYUD. IV, No. 32.

¹⁶¹³) Čri-vajra-dāka-nāma-mahā-tantra-rāja, Kg. RGYUD. II, No. 6. In the Tangyur we have, belonging to this Cycle and translated by this Lotsava, the Čri-vajra-dāka-nāma-mahā-tantra-rājasya vivṛttiḥ, Tg. RGYUD. IX. 1—238, the work of Bhavabhāṭṭa. Translators acc. to Kg. the same.

¹⁶¹⁴) Čri-Catuḥpīṭha-mahā-yoginī-tantra-rāja, Kg. RGYUD. IV, No. 39, Translator acc. to Kg. the same. In the Tg. we have, translated by this Lotsava, 1. Čri-Catuḥpīṭha-tantra-rājasya ṭikā Smṛti-nibandha. Tg. RGYUD. XXII. 260—407, the work of Bhavabhāṭṭa; 2. Čri-Catuḥpīṭha-tantra-rāja nāma-maṇḍala-upāyikā-vidhi Sāra-samuccaya, Tg. RGYUD. XXIII. 142—172, the work of Āryadeva; 3. Čri-Catuḥpīṭha-sādhana-upāyikā, Ibid. XXIII. 179—185; 4. Čri-Catuḥpīṭha-tattva-catuṣka, Ibid. 202—207, the work of Jetāri.

¹⁶¹⁵) Kg. RGYUD. IV, No. 36. Translator acc. to Kg. the same. In the Tg. we have, translated by this Lotsava and belonging to the Cycle of Mahāmāyā: 1. Guṇavati Čri-Mahāmāyā-ṭikā, Tg. RGYUD. XXIII. 223—249, the work of Ratnākaračānti; 2. Mahāmāyā-tantrasya vṛttiḥ Smṛti-nāmā, Ibid. 249—271, the work of Kṛṣṇavajra; 3. Mahāmāyā-sādhana-maṇḍala-vidhi. Ibid. 288—305, the work of Kukkuripāda.

^{1615a}) The works of this Cycle translated by Hlā-tsa are: — 1. Hevajra-nāma-mahātantra-rāja-dvikaḥ-māyasya pañjikā Smṛti-nibandha, Tg. RGYUD. XVII. 169—228, the work of Kṛṣṇa; 2. Čri-Hevajra-pañjikā Muktikāvali. Ibid. 262—349, the work of Ratnākaračānti.

¹⁶¹⁶) Gyi-co Zla-baḥi ḥod-zer.

¹⁶¹⁷) Kg. RGYUD. I. No. 5. In the Tg. we have, translated by this Lotsava and belonging to the Cycle of Kālacakra: 1. Čri-Kālacakra-garbha-alaṃkāra-sādhana, Tg. RGYUD. 206-218, the work of Bhadrabodhi; 2. Kāla-cakra-upadeṣa Ibid. 218—220.

the *Buddhakapāla*¹⁶¹⁸), *Vajra-amṛta*^{1618a}), (works of the cycle of) *Çaṁvara*^{1618b}) etc.

Mar-pa Chö-kyi-lo-dö¹⁶¹⁹) of Hlo-ḍag¹⁶²⁰) went to India 3 times, became the pupil of the Guru Nāḍapāda¹⁶²¹), Maitripāda, Çāntibhadra¹⁶²²), Pha-mthiñ¹⁶²³)(?) and others studied the instructions to the Guhyasamāja, Çaṁvara, Mahamāyā, Catuḥpīṭha, etc. and augmented the number of the students of the Tantras of Propitiation.

Phag-pai-ḥei-rab of S'añ-kar studied with the Paṇḍits Aranya-ka¹⁶²⁴)(?) of Kashmir, Tejodeva, Parahitabhadra and others, and made translations of (works belonging to the cycles of) Yogatantra, Uṣṇīṣa^{1624a}), Vajrapāṇi of Sugatigarbha¹⁶²⁵), and Vaiçravaṇa^{1625a}),

¹⁶¹⁸) Sañs-rgyas-thod-pa. Full title: Buddha-kapāla-nāma-yoginī-tantra-rāja. Kg. RGYUD. IV, No. 35. Translator acc. to Kg. the same. In the Tg. we have, translated by him and belonging to the Cycle of Buddhakapāla: 1. Çri-Buddhakapāla-tantrasya pañjikā Jhānavatī nāma, Tg. RGYUD. XXIV. 119 — 168, the work of Saraha; 2. Çri-Buddhakapāla-sādhana. Ibid. 251—256, author ditto; 3. Çri-Buddhakapāla-nāma-maṇḍala-vidhi-krama-pradyotana, Ibid. 257—271. Author ditto.

^{1618a}) Rdo-rje-bdud-rtsi, Kg. RGYUD. V, No. 4. Translator not mentioned.

^{1618b}) In the Tg. we have: Çri-varja-ḍaka-tantrasya Tattva-susthira-nāma pañjikā, Tg. RGYUD. VIII. 238—254.

¹⁶¹⁹) Mar-pa Chos-kyi-blo-gros. ¹⁶²⁰) Lho-brag.

¹⁶²¹) Bla-ma Nā-ro. ¹⁶²²) Ži-ba-bzañ-po.

¹⁶²³) Cf. Schiefner, Tārānātha, p. 249 and 330. ¹⁶²⁴) Dgon-pa-pa.

^{1624a}) Gtsug-tor-gyi-skor. The works translated by Phag-pa-ḥei-rab, belonging to this Cycle are: — 1. Ārya-sitātapatrā-aparājītā-nāma-upāyikā. The work of Candragomin, Tg. RGYUD. LXIX. 196, 197. (Pek.); 2. Ārya-tathāgata-uṣṇīṣa-sitātapatrā-aparājītā-pratyangirā-nāma-dhāraṇī-sādhana. The work of Candragomin, Ibid. 204—206; 3. Author and title ditto. Ibid. 210—211; 4. Ārya-tathāgata-uṣṇīṣa-sitātapatrā-nāma-dhāraṇī-vidhi. Author ditto. Ibid. 211, 212.; 5. Uṣṇīṣa-sitātapatrā-vidhi. The work of Çūraṁgavajra, Ibid. 217, 218; 6. Ārya-tathāgata-uṣṇīṣa-sitātapatrā-aparājītā-nāma-maṇḍala-vidhi. The work of Padmāṁkuṇḍa, Ibid. 227—234; 7. Ārya-sitātapatrā-nāma-saṅcaka-vidhi. Author ditto, Ibid. 234—238.

¹⁶²⁵) Phag-na-rdo-rje Hgro-bzañs-kyi-skor. These are: 1. Bhagavan-nīlāmbara-dhara-Vajrapāṇi-sādhana. Tg. RGYUD. LXVIII. 291, 292; 2. Nīlāmbaradhara-Vajrapāṇi-bali-vidhi, Ibid. 292, 293; 3. Nīlāmbaradhara-Vajrapāṇi-nāga-bali-vidhi, Ibid. 293, 294; 4. Gaṇacakra, Ibid. 294, 295; 5. Vajrapāṇi-maṇḍala-vidhi, Ibid. 295—298.

^{1625a}) Rnam-thos-sras-kyi-skor. These are: — 1. Mahārāja-Vaiçravaṇa-sādhana. Tg. RGYUD. LXXII. 276—278; 2. Vaiçravaṇa-sādhana, Ibid. 284 — 285, the work of Çūraṁgavarman; 3. Vaiçravaṇa-kalpa. Ibid. 285, 286; 4.

the Great Commentary on the *Bodhicaryāvatāra*, (works of the cycle of) *Çaṁvara*^{1625b}) etc. Dar-ma-ḍag of Nān¹⁶²⁶) lived in India 12 years, studied with the Paṇḍit Matī, invited the Paṇḍit Sunayaçrī, and translated the Great Commentary on the *Bodhicaryāvatāra*, (works of the cycles of) Tārā¹⁶²⁷), of the Custodians of the Faith^{1627a}) etc. [155 a.]

The youths Dab Khor-lo-ḍag¹⁶²⁸), Sal-pa-ḍag of Poñ-sh'o¹⁶²⁹) and Mi-ñag-tsa-mi Sañ-gyā-ḍag of Tsoñ-kha, having taken recourse to the help of the Paṇḍit Abhayākaragupta, translated (works on) the *Kālacakra*, the *Niṣpannayogāvalī*¹⁶³⁰), the *Munimatā-lamkāra*¹⁶³¹), the *Āmnāyamañjarī*¹⁶³²) and other works.

The translator of T'e-vo¹⁶³³), — Ḥei-rab-pal, with the assistance of that very Paṇḍit, translated the *Marmakaumudī*¹⁶³⁴) etc. Rinchen-ḍag of Pha-ri invited the Paṇḍit Amoghavajra and translated the *Amoghapāṇa*^{1634a}), the *Pañcarakṣā*¹⁶³⁵), the works on the Cycle

Mahārāja-Vaiçravaṇa-kalpa Çaṁkara-vidhi (? kalpa)-viçva-koṇa. Ibid. 286 — 287.

^{1625b}) These are: — 1. Padārtha-prakāçikā nāma Çri-Çaṁvara-mūla-tantra-ṭikā. Tg. RGYUD. VII. 400—503. (Pek.) The work of Viravajra; 2. Çri-cakra-saṁvara-tantra-rāja-Çaṁvara-samuccaya-nāma-vṛtti, Tg. RGYUD. VIII. 1—151, the work of Indrabhūti; 3. Mūla-tantra-saṁgraha-hṛdaya-abhidhāna-uttaratantra-mūla-mūla-vṛtti. Ibid. 151—286, the work of Çūraṁgavajra.

¹⁶²⁶) Gñan Dar-ma-grags.

¹⁶²⁷) Sgrol-maḥi-skor. In Bu-ton's Index we have the Sgrol-ma spyiḥi sgrub-thabs ascribed to Nāgārjuna and translated by Dar-ma-ḍag. It is indicated by Bu-ton (fol. 207 a. 2—b. 1) as not contained in the Tangyur (*Bstan-hgyur-du ma-chud*).

^{1627a}) Of this Cycle we have, translated by Dar-ma-ḍag, the Uccūṣma-Jambhala-sādhana. Tg. RGYUD. LXXII. 295—296. The work of Matī or Āryamati.

¹⁶²⁸) Gdab Hkhor-lo-grags.

¹⁶²⁹) Spoñ-žo Gsal-pa-grags.

¹⁶³⁰) The Xyl. has Phreñ-ba-skor-gsum. This evidently refers to a work the title of which ends with "Phreñ-ba" (= mālā or āvalī). In the Tg. RGYUD. LXXXIV we have the work of Abhayākaragupta: Çri-Mañju-vajra-ādi-krama-abhisamaya-samuccaya-niṣpanna-yoga-āvalī. (fol. 114—188).

¹⁶³¹) Thub-pa-dgoñs-rgyan. Tg. MDO. XXIX. 71—398.

¹⁶³²) Man-ñag-sñe-ma. Tg. RGYUD. XIX.

¹⁶³³) Bre-bo-Lo-tsa-ba.

¹⁶³⁴) Gnad-kyi-zla-zer. Tg. MDO. XI. 1—256. (Pek.)

^{1634a}) Don (i. e. Don-yod)-žags-pa. This is the Ārya-Amoghapāṇa-pañca-deva-stotra, the work of Erapati. Tg. RGYUD. LXVIII, No. 30.

¹⁶³⁵) Bsuñ-ba-lña.

of *Vijaya-vidāraṇī*¹⁶³⁶), of *Çaṁvara*^{1636a}), the *Sādhana-çataka*¹⁶³⁷), etc.

Log-kya¹⁶³⁸) *Çei-rab-tseg* translated the (works of the) Cycles of *Mañjuçrī-nāma-saṁgīti*¹⁶³⁹), and of *Tārā*, the *Mādhyamika-avatāra*¹⁶⁴⁰), etc. His pupil Mal-gyo Lo-dō-dag-pa translated the (works of the Cycles of) *Çaṁvara* and *Tārā* belonging to the system or *Sūryagupta*¹⁶⁴¹).

Çei-rab-dag-of *Do*¹⁶⁴²) went to Kashmir and, having invited the Paṇḍit Somanātha¹⁶⁴³), translated the detailed instructions to the *Kālacakra*^{1643a}), the Commentary on the *Hevajra-tantra* by Vajragarbha¹⁶⁴⁴), the Commentary on the first part of the *Tantra of Vajrapāṇi*¹⁶⁴⁵) etc. The translators Thō-pa-gā¹⁶⁴⁶) of Pa-reg, Chō-bar of Ma-pan¹⁶⁴⁷), and Tshur^{1647a}) studied with the Indian Paṇḍit Vajrapāṇi and translated the works belonging to the Cycle of the *Mahāmudrāsiddhi*¹⁶⁴⁸), the *Hṛdayasiddhi*¹⁶⁴⁹), the 3 Cycles

¹⁶³⁶) Rnam-rgyal-rnam-hjoms.

^{1636a}) The works belonging to the Cycle of *Çaṁvara* and translated by Rin-chen-dag are: — 1. *Çri-cakra-saṁvara-pañjikā*. Tg. RGYUD. VI. 159—280. The work of Bhavabhaṭṭa; 2. *Samanta-guṇa-çālīnī*. Tg. RGYUD. VII. 177—233. The work of Viravajra; 3. *Yoginī-saṁcārya-nibandha*. Tg. RGYUD. XII. 139—160. The work of Tathāgataraṁkṣita; 4. *Çri-Çaṁvara-saṁcaka-vidhi*. Tg. RGYUD. XIII. 86, 87. The work of Prajñāraṁkṣita; 5. *Cakra-saṁvara-sādhana*. Ibid. 87—91. The work of Jayabhadra; 6. *Çri-Çaṁvara-maṇḍala-upāyikā*. Ibid. 91—125. Author ditto. ¹⁶³⁷) Sgrub-thabs brgya-rtsa. Tg. RGYUD. LXXI. No. No. 1—94. ¹⁶³⁸) Glog-skya. ¹⁶³⁹) Mtshan-brjod.

¹⁶⁴⁰) The translators of the *Mādhyamikāvatāra* indicated in the Tanguyr are the Paṇḍit Tilakakalaça and Ñi-ma-dag (*Sūryakīrti*) of Ba-tshab.

¹⁶⁴¹) Sgröl-ma Ñi-ma-sbas-paḥi-lugs. Tg. RGYUD. XXVI. No. No. 3—8, etc.

¹⁶⁴²) Hbro Çes-rab-grags. ¹⁶⁴³) Zla-ba-mgon-po.

^{1643a}) In the Tg. we have, translated by Somanātha and *Çei-rab-dag*: 1. The Great Commentary on the *Kālacakra* called *Vimalaprabhā*, Tg. RGYUD. I and II, and 2. *Çri-Kālacakra-tantra-rājasya seka-prakriya-vṛtti Vajra-pada-udghāṭinī*. The work of Dārika, Tg. RGYUD. IV. 48—87.

¹⁶⁴⁴) Rdo-rje-sñiñ-hgrel. Full title: *Hevajra-piṇḍārtha-tikā*, Tg. RGYUD. XV. 1—139. The translators acc. to the Tg. are: Maitripāda and *Çei-rab-dag*.

¹⁶⁴⁵) *Phyag-rdor-stod-hgrel*. In Bu-ton's index (fol. 209 a. 6—b. 1) we have the indication of *Phyag-na-rdo-rje-dbañ-bskur-baḥi-rgyud-kyi-stod-hgrel* — Commentary on the first part of the *Vajrapāṇy-abhiṣeka* as "not found".

¹⁶⁴⁶) Thos-pa-dgaḥ. ¹⁶⁴⁷) Rma-ban Chos-hbar.

^{1647a}) The name of this Lotsava is Ye-çes-hbyuñ-gnas = *Jñānākara*.

¹⁶⁴⁸) *Phyag-rgya-chen-po-grub-paḥi-skor*.

¹⁶⁴⁹) *Sñiñ-poḥi-skor*. The works belonging to these Cycles and translated by the said 3 Lotsavas are to be found in the Tg. RGYUD. XLVI, viz. No. No. 12, 14, 16, 21, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 32, 40, 41.

of *Doha*¹⁶⁵⁰), the *Dohakoça*¹⁶⁵¹), the works on the Cycle of *Çaṁvara* by Maitripāda^{1651a}) etc.

Kun-gā-dorje of Cal¹⁶⁵²) studied with the Nepalese teacher Hañ-du the White¹⁶⁵³), and invited the Paṇḍit Çūnyatāsamādhi¹⁶⁵⁴) from whom he received a great number of instructions.

Rva Dorje-dag studied with the Nepalese Mahākāruṇika and translated the 3 Cycles of Kṛṣṇa-Yamāri and Bhairava [155 b.]¹⁶⁵⁵), the Cycle of *Heruka-abhyudaya*¹⁶⁵⁶) etc.

Bön-po Rva Chō-rab invited the Paṇḍit Samantaçri and translated the *Kālacakra*, the *Varāhy-abhibhāva*¹⁶⁵⁷), and the *Mahākāla-tantra-rāja*¹⁶⁵⁸).

Sh'añ *Çei-rab-la-ma* invited the Paṇḍit Amoghavajra and translated the Cycle of Kṛṣṇa-Yamāri^{1658a}) in detail.

Gyū Mön-lam-dag¹⁶⁵⁹) studied with the Paṇḍit Parahita and translated the *Samvara-udaya*¹⁶⁶⁰).

Sh'va-ma Señ-gyal secured the assistance of the Paṇḍit Mañi-bhadrarakṣita¹⁶⁶¹) and others and translated the *Pramāṇa-sa-muccaya* with the Commentary thereon.

Mar-pa-t'o-pa Chō-kyi-vañ-chug of Ya-dog¹⁶⁶²) translated the

¹⁶⁵⁰) Tg. RGYUD. XLVII and XLVIII.

¹⁶⁵¹) Do-ha-mdzod. ^{1651a}) Tg. RGYUD. XIII. 143—149.

¹⁶⁵²) Dpyal Kun-dgaḥ-rdo-rje. ¹⁶⁵³) Hañ-du-dkar-po.

¹⁶⁵⁴) Stoñ-ñid-tiñ-ñe-ñdzin.

¹⁶⁵⁵) Dgra-nag Hjigs-byed-kyi skor. In the Tg. we have the following works belonging to the Cycle of Bhairava and translated by Dorje-dag of Rva: 1. *Çri-Bhairava-sādhana*. Tg. RGYUD. XLIII. 208, 209; 2. *Vajra-Bhairava-gaṇa-cakra*. Ibid. 209—211. The work of Ratnākaraçānti; 3. *Chucchundara-kalpa*. Ibid. 211, 212; 4. *Mahā-vajra-Bhairava-homa-vidhi*. Ibid. 212—216. The work of Amogha-vajra.

¹⁶⁵⁶) Tg. RGYUD. XII.

¹⁶⁵⁷) Phag-mo-mñon-hbyuñ. Full title: *Dākinī-sarva-citta-advaya-acintya-jñāna-vajra-varāhy-abhibhāva-tantra-rāja*. Kg. RGYUD. IV. No. 33. Acc. to Kg. the translators are: Gāyadhara and Gyī-co Da-va-ō-s'er (*Zla-ba-ñod-zer*).

¹⁶⁵⁸) Acc. to Bu-ton: Mgon-po-mñon-hbyuñ = *Nātha-abhyudaya* (or: — *abhibhāva*). Kg. RGYUD. V, No. 9. Cf. above note 858.

^{1658a}) In the Tg. we have, translated by this Lotsava: — 1. *Çri-Kṛṣṇa-Yamāri-cakra-vidhi*. Tg. RGYUD. XLIII. 235—237. The work of Amogha-vajra; 2. *Karma-sahāya-karaṇa*. Ibid. 237, 238; 3. *Sad-dravya-adbhuta-vikurvita-saṁbhajana-vidhi*. Ibid. 238, 239; 4. *Çri-Vajra-Bhairava-stuti*. Ibid. 246. The work of Amoghavajra.

¹⁶⁵⁹) Rgyus Smon-lam-grags. ¹⁶⁶⁰) Sdom-hbyuñ.

¹⁶⁶¹) Nor-bzañ-sruñ-ba.

¹⁶⁶²) Ya-hbrog-gi Mar-pa-do-pa Chos-kyi dbaṇ-phyug.

Commentaries on the *Çamvara-tantra* belonging to the Cycle of Propitiation¹⁶⁶³), in detail.

Chö-kyi-s'añ-po of Cal, lived in India 10 years, studied with the teacher of Vajrāsana — Niṣkalaṅka and translated the Cycles of *Çamvara* and *Rakta-Yamāri*. It is he who ordained the Kashmirian *Çākyaçila* as a *Çramaṇera*.

The translator of *Tho-phu*, — Jam-pai-pal¹⁶⁶⁴) invited the Paṇḍit *Çrī Jaganmitra-Ananta* who is known by the surname of *Mitrayogin*. He translated the Cycle of *Çamvara-Ekajaṭā*^{1664a}), the *Svacitta-viçrama-upadeça*¹⁶⁶⁵), the *Sugata-çāsana-ratna-vo-hittha*¹⁶⁶⁶), etc.

Thereafter, having invited the Kashmirian Paṇḍit *Buddha-çrijñāna*, he translated the Commentary on the *Abhisamayā-lamkāra* called *Prajñā-pradīpa*¹⁶⁶⁷), the *Jinamārga-avatāra*^{1667a}), the 100 Methods of Propitiation of *Avalokiteçvara*¹⁶⁶⁸), etc.

After that the Paṇḍit *Çākyaçribhadra* of Kashmir was invited, and Cal Chö S'añ translated the Great Commentary of *Nāḍapāda*^{1668a}), and the Paṇḍit gave him numerous explanations and instructions. This Paṇḍit was accompanied by the inferior Paṇḍits *Vibhūticandra*, *Dānaçila*, the Nepalese *Sanghaçrī*, [156 a.] *Sugataçrī* and others, their number being nine. *Vibhūti* and *Dānaçila* lived in Tibet a long time and made translations of their own works.

Jam-pai-pal translated the *Vinaya-puṣpamālā*¹⁶⁶⁹) and received the instructions to it. Moreover he translated the *Vajramālā*, works belonging to the Cycle of *Çamvara* etc.

¹⁶⁶³) In the Tg. RGYUD. XII we have, translated by him: 1. *Bhagavac-chrī-cakra-Çamvarasya sādhanam Ratna-cūḍāmaṇi* (fol. 284—294); 2. *Çrī-cakra-Çamvara-maṇḍala-upāyikā Ratna-pradīpa-uddiyotana* (fol. 294—332); 3. *Bhagavac-cakra-Çamvara-sādhanam Ratna-cintāmaṇi* (fol. 271—276); 4. *Maṇḍala-deva-stotra Ratna-māyā-dāna* (fol. 280—282); 5. *Bhagavac-Chrī-Çamvara-maṇḍala-vidhi* (fol. 344—363); 6. *Vasanta-tilaka* (fol. 371—381).

¹⁶⁶⁴) Khro-phu-lo-tsa-ba Byams-paḥi-dpal.

^{1664a}) Bde-chen Ral-gcig-gi-skor. Tg. RGYUD. XLIV. No. No. 31—37.

¹⁶⁶⁵) Sems-ñid-ñal-gso. Full title: *Svacitta-viçrama-upadeça Gāthā-pañca-viṃcatika*. Tg. RGYUD. XLIV. 213, 214.

¹⁶⁶⁶) Bstan-paḥi-gru. Tg. RGYUD. XLVIII. 170—174. The work of *Niṣkalaṅka*.

¹⁶⁶⁷) Tg. MDO. IX. 1—87. ^{1667a}) Rgyal-baḥi-lam-hjug. Cf. below.

¹⁶⁶⁸) Thugs-rje-chen-poḥi sgrub-thabs-bgrya-rtsa-brgyad = *Ārya-Avalokiteçvara-aṣṭottara-çataka-sādhanam*. Tg. RGYUD. LXVIII. No. No. 48—154.

^{1668a}) *Vajra-pada-sāra-saṃgraha-pañjikā*. Tg. RGYUD. XVII. 69—169.

¹⁶⁶⁹) Tg. MDO. LXXXIX.

The great Kashmirian Paṇḍit (*Çākyaçribhadra*) ordained the *Sa-kya-Paṇḍita* who studied with him and with the Nepalese *Sanghaçrī* the science of Grammar, and, moreover, with the Great Paṇḍit and *Dānaçila*, — the *Pramāṇavārtika*. Thereafter he made numerous corrections to the books that were translated before. Having become greatly learned, he refuted all who were not in possession of the pure Teaching.

Jañ-chub-pal and Dorje-pal were ordained by the Great Paṇḍit and kept the Observance of the Unique Seat¹⁶⁷⁰). Thereafter a great number of scholars belonging to the spiritual descent of the Great Paṇḍit appeared.

On the Srin-po-ri the Great Paṇḍit accomplished the *Vajramālā-abhiṣeka*¹⁶⁷¹) and greatly furthered the spread of the teachings granting magical power.

Chag Ḍa-com¹⁶⁷²) went to India and translated the *Jinamārga-avatāra*^{1672a}) and other works. His nephew Chag Chö-rje-pal likewise went to India and, assisted by Devendra, Ratna-rakṣita and other Tantric Exorcists, translated the 9 *Uṣṇīṣa-tantras*¹⁶⁷³) and made numerous corrections of (previous) translations.

Dorje-gyal-tshen of Çoñ went to Nepal and, having invited the Paṇḍit *Lakṣmīçrī*¹⁶⁷⁴), translated the *Kavyādarça*¹⁶⁷⁵), the *Avadāna-kalpalatā*¹⁶⁷⁶), the *Nāgānanda-nāṭaka*^{1676a}), the 100

¹⁶⁷⁰) *gdan-gcig-paḥi-brtul-ñugs*.

¹⁶⁷¹) *rdo-rje-phreñ-baḥi-dbañ-bskur*.

¹⁶⁷²) Dgra-bcom.

^{1672a}) Tg. MDO. XXXII. 231—271. The Work of *Buddhaçrijñāna*.

¹⁶⁷³) *Gtsug-dguḥi-rgyud*. These are evidently the following works: — 1. *Sarva-tathāgata-uṣṇīṣa-vijayā-nāma-dhāraṇi kalpasahitā*, Kg. RGYUD. XIV. No. 23. 2. *Sarva-durgati-pariçodhani-uṣṇīṣa-vijayā-nāma-dhāraṇi*, Ibid. No. 24. 3. *Sarva-tathāgata-uṣṇīṣa-vijayā-nāma-dhāraṇi kalpasahitā*, Ibid. No. 25. 4. and 5. works bearing the same title, Ibid. No. No. 26 and 27. 6. *Ārya-sarva-tathāgata-uṣṇīṣa sitātapatrā-nāma-aparājita-pratyangira-mahāvidyā-rājñi*, Ibid. No. 28. 7. *Ārya-tathāgata-uṣṇīṣa-sitātapatrā-aparājita-mahāpratyangira-parama-siddhi-nāma-dhāraṇi*, Ibid. No. 29. 8. *Ārya-tathāgata-uṣṇīṣa-sitātapatrā-aparājita-nāma-dhāraṇi*, Ibid. No. 30, and 9. *Ārya-tathāgata-uṣṇīṣa-sitātapatrā-nāma-aparājita-dhāraṇi*, Ibid. No. 31.

¹⁶⁷⁴) The Xyl. has: *Lakṣīçrī*.

¹⁶⁷⁵) *Sñan-ñag-me-loñ*. Tg. MDO. CXVII.

¹⁶⁷⁶) (*Rtogs-brjod*)-dpag-bsam-khri-çin, Tg. MDO. XCIII. 1—361. Translators acc. to Tg. *Lakṣmīkara* and Dorje-gyal-tshen.

^{1676a}) *Klu-kun-tu-dgaḥ-baḥi zlos-gar*. The work of *Çriharṣadeva*, Tg. MDO. XCII. 269—304. Translators acc. to Tg. the same.

Hymns^{1676b)} etc. His younger brother Lo-ḍö-tan-pa translated the *Rakta-Yamāri-tantra*¹⁶⁷⁷⁾ and made corrections of previous translations.

Ḍag-pa-gyal-tshen of Yar-lun translated the *Acala-tantra*¹⁶⁷⁸⁾, the *Sādhana-sāgara*¹⁶⁷⁹⁾, [156 b.] the *Kriyā-saṃgraha*¹⁶⁸⁰⁾ etc.

My own teacher Ņi-ma-gyal-tshen-pal-s'aṅ-po studied in Nepal fourteen years and translated 14 Sūtras, the *Giryānanda*¹⁶⁸¹⁾ etc. with the assistance of the Paṇḍit Anantaṣṛi. Above this he made many other fundamental translations and numerous corrections.

Paṅ Lo-ḍö-tan-pa translated the Commentary to the *Pramāṇa-samuccaya* of Jinendrabuddhi¹⁶⁸²⁾, the Commentary to the *Kālacakra* called *Hṛdayāloka*¹⁶⁸³⁾ and other works.

All these have greatly furthered the spread of the Doctrine. The minute details (concerning the lives of these Paṇḍits) may be known from the special biographies of each of them.

^{1676b)} Bstod-pa-brgya-pa. Full title: Lokeṣvara-ṣataka-stotra (Hjig-rten-dbañ-phyug-gi bstod-pa-brgya-pa). Tg. RGYUD. LXVIII. 108—121. The work of Vajradeva.

¹⁶⁷⁷⁾ Gcin-rje-gḡed-dmar-gyi-rgyud. Full title: Ḣri-rakta-Yamāri-tantra-rāja, Kg. RGYUD. VII, No. 13. Translators acc. to Kg. Candrakīrti and Ḍag-pa-gyal-tshen.

¹⁶⁷⁸⁾ In the Kg. we have the Acalakalpā (RGYUD. V, No. 1), translators Atulyadāsavajra and Chö-kyi-vañ-chug-ḡag, and the Ārya-acala-mahā-guhyatantra (Ibid. No. 2), translators not indicated.

¹⁶⁷⁹⁾ Sgrub-thabs-rgya-mtsho. Tg. RGYUD. LXXI. 95—340.

¹⁶⁸⁰⁾ Bya-ba-bsdus-pa. Tg. RGYUD. LVII. 260—420.

¹⁶⁸¹⁾ Rihi-kun-dgañi-mdo, Kg. ḢER. (Prajñā-pāramitā) XXII, No. 20.

¹⁶⁸²⁾ Tg. MDO. CXV.

¹⁶⁸³⁾ Dus-ḡkhor-gyi-bḡad-sbyar Sñiñ-po-snañ-ba. Full title: Ḣṛmad-Vimala-prabhā-tantra-avataraṇa-vāda Hṛdayāloka (Dpal-ldan Dri-ma-dañ-bral-baḡi-hod-kyi-rgyud-la ḡjug-paḡi bḡad-sbyar Sñiñ-po-snañ-ba, Tg. RGYUD. III. 25—86.

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